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Recommends
Taken Cut

Washington, March 1.

The Committee may vote for a token cut in European Recovery spending, it was learned today.
Committee members met in a closed session to put the finishing touches on the bill that would extend the Marshall Plan for 15 months and authorize expenditures of U.S.\$1,680,000,000 over that period.
Senator Tom Connally, chairman of the Committee, said that in the main he is satisfied with Mr. Paul G. Hoffman's statement that any sizable cut in the U.S.\$940,000,000 earmarked for Britain might invite disaster. But Senator Connally added that the Committee might make a small cut—U.S.\$125,000,000 or so in the total.—United Press.

Bolshevik Party For Burmese

Rangoon, March 1.

A newly created Bolshevik Party of Burma today issued a manifesto declaring it aimed to link itself with Communists in China and Vietnam, alongside the Soviet Union.
The manifesto was the first evidence of the existence of a Bolshevik Party.
The party, announced it will adopt Soviet methods for ending world capitalism and would destroy all who have recourse to capitalist governments.
The manifesto accused Burma's Socialist Government of helping the British put down Burma's revolutionary movement. It contended the Premier Mr. Thakin Nu, for obtaining arms and money from capitalists and seeking to suppress strikes with guns.
The Bolshevik Party apparently is an offshoot of the present strike movement. Government workers have been on strike for several weeks in protest against the Government's announced intention of cutting living allowances and firing many workers.
The Government contended it was forced to curtail expenses because of the costly civil wars it is fighting against Karen tribesmen and various shades of Marxists, including Communists and Trotskyists.—Associated Press.

FE Trade Cloudy, Sawyer Says

Chicago, February 28.

Trade with the Far East is pretty cloudy now due to current political upheavals, the Secretary of Commerce, Mr. Charles Sawyer, told a foreign trade conference today.
He said fear and insecurity among nations are the chief barriers to prosperous world trade. "I would not care to predict what might happen with respect to trade with Communist China," he declared.
The Commerce Secretary said the United States must find ways to "breach barriers and convince other peoples that we mean to help them, not exploit them."
Over the years, nations have built up protective tariffs and other devices to control their internal economies, but fears and uncertainty are much more of a restriction to world trade he said.
Mr. Sawyer acknowledged that the current dollar shortage in foreign countries also a formidable barrier, but said the Economic Co-operation Administration was attempting to overcome this shortage by lending dollars.—United Press.

U.S. TO HELP AUSTRALIA

Sydney, March 1.

Brigadier General Robert Travis, commander of the United States Pacific Air Command at Honolulu, said the United States would go immediately to the aid of Australia if it were threatened by an aggressor.
"I would like Australians to know they have a friend in America—a friend whose interests are those of Australia," he said.
General Travis arrived here this morning with a staff of four on a goodwill tour of Australia and New Zealand.—United Press.

Agents Fail In Attempt To Kidnap President Li

20 SUSPECTS ARRESTED

Shanghai, March 1.

A daring coup d'état to imprison President Li Tsung-jen, overthrow the Nationalist Government and facilitate a Communist crossing of the Yangtze was nipped in the bud by alert Nanking and Shanghai security authorities early last month, according to an exclusive report appearing on the front-page of the pro-Kuomintang Shun Pao today.

The arrest of several of the agents, including Communists and underground workers of Marshal Li Chai-sun's Kuomintang Revolutionary Committee, caused the collapse of the plot, the paper asserted.

Planned to be carried out simultaneously in five provinces South of the Yangtze, the coup aimed at the detention of the President; General Ku Chu-tung, Chief of General Staff; General Tang En-po, Nanking-Shanghai Area Garrison Commander; General Chang Yau-ming, Nanking Garrison Commander, and several other officials in Nanking.

The plot came to light, according to the Shun Pao, with the arrest of Meng Shih-hong, Nanking-Shanghai representative of the Revolutionary Committee who was said to be one of the five men entrusted with the execution of the plot.
The report said that in addition to Meng, the Nanking and Shanghai security authorities are now holding Meng's wife, Chin Hsui-chin, Assembly delegate from Sunchiang Province of Manchuria; Hsu Chih-yuen, employee of the Central Yuan; Hsia Peng-yin, woman Assembly delegate from Anhwei, and Ma Kwang-yung, head of the Central Police Station in Nanking.

80 Involved

Hsu Chih-yuen and Hsia Peng-yin, according to the report, were arrested in Shanghai and the others in Nanking.
The report claimed that some 80 people were involved in the plot and security officers of the two cities arrested more than 20 suspects.
It further alleged that security officers and members of Nanking's intelligence organization had now gathered sufficient evidence to show the group originally planned:
1. Arrest Li Tsung-jen and other key officials.
2. Seize communications establishments, such as radio stations and tele-communications administration, airfields, railway stations and wharves.
3. Issue bogus orders in the name of Li Tsung-jen.
4. Seize all important points along the Nanking-Shanghai-Hangchow Railway and the Nanking-Hangchow motor highway to facilitate the crossing of the Yangtze by the Communists.
5. Divert the attention of military units in Nanking, Shanghai and Hangchow areas.
6. Start various terroristic activities in Nanking, Shanghai and other cities.

Second Phase

The Shun Pao report lacks confirmation hitherto from any other source.
Meanwhile, Dr. Shao Li-tso, Nationalist peace delegate, is expected to return to Communist-held Peiping shortly for the second phase of preliminary negotiations for peace with the Communists, according to reliable sources here today.
Local reports said the Communists have appointed their representatives to the peace negotiations. They are General Chou En-lai, Communist foreign affairs expert, Tung Pi-wu, head of the Communist North China Govern-

Chinese Cruiser Deserts To Reds

Shanghai, March 1.

The Chinese cruiser, Chungking, the former HMS Aurora, has deserted to the Communists. It was reliably reported today.
The vessel left its anchorage on the lower Yangtze without orders last Friday and was reported to be now in Chefoo, on the Shantung coast.
The 5,270-ton ship was presented as a gift to China by Britain on May 19, 1948.—Reuter.

ment: General Yeh Chien-ying, Mayor of Peiping, and General Lin Piao, North China Liberation Army Commander and conqueror of Manchuria.
The Shanghai non-partisan peace delegation which flew here from Peiping last Sunday after the first exchange of views with Communist leaders, today postponed its departure for Shanghai.
An important meeting with Nationalist leaders will be held tonight.

Dissatisfaction

The dissatisfaction expressed in Nanking over Dr. Sun Fo's evacuation to Canton is expected to reach its climax on March 4.
It was reliably learned today that the Premier has agreed to report on the work of his Cabinet to the Legislative Yuan on that date.
One report said that the President of the Yuan, Mr. Tung Kwan-hsien, called on Dr. Sun Fo last night and requested that he report on March 4. Dr. Sun Fo was

China Reds Claim Impressive Feats

Nanking, March 1.

More than 200 million of China's 450 million people were now liberated and 770 cities captured by the Communist people's liberation armies, the North Shensi Communist Radio claimed last night.

Reviewing the Communist successes, the Radio said the Nationalist forces had lost 288,000 troops during January, of whom 250,000 had been reorganized into people's liberation forces. It listed 100 generals and colonels and a big bag of war equipment as captured.

In the fighting this month in Shensi Province, the Radio said 300 soldiers of the Nationalist 21st Division were wounded, killed or captured, and that 47 miles of the Lunghai railway North of Sian were now in the hands of the people's liberation army.

The Radio claimed that the United States had cancelled its naval evacuation of the North China port of Tientsin, following the recent Tokyo defence conference. It ended by the United States secretary of the Army, Mr. Kenneth Royall, and Major Gen-

eral David Barr, head of the United States Joint Military Advisory Group in China.
The Nationalist acting President, General Li Tsung-jen, said, "I am sure this cancellation, hoping to use Tientsin as a North China springboard into United States help."
The Radio claimed that Acting President Li Tsung-jen was manufacturing an atmosphere for shifting the blame to the Communists if the war was continued in China, and went on to describe the United States Ambassador in Nanking, Dr. J. Leighton Stuart, as still China's overlord.
In Nanking last night the Ministry of Communications announced the resumption of postal communications with Communist-held areas, including re-opened express letter service for Peiping and Tientsin. It said parcels will also be accepted.—Reuter-AAP.

Chinese newspapers today strongly criticised the Premier for evacuating to Canton.
The Chiu Kuo Jih-Pai reported the Premier as having returned from his fugitive life down South. It urged the Premier to resign immediately, lest he be kicked out by the people.

Urged To Return

His evacuation from Nanking, it said, had resulted in loss of confidence in the Government and sent commodity prices rising rapidly. Nationalist China needed a working Cabinet, the paper added.
The China Times urged the Legislative Yuan to continue its efforts to invite legislators who went to Canton to return to Nanking.
It recommended the Yuan appoint a special commission to inspect the Yangtze defences and to see that its defences were properly treated.—Reuter.

RED TO RUN IN BY-ELECTION

London, March 1.
A Communist will be one of the three candidates at Britain's next parliamentary by-election at St. Pancras, North London, on March 10, it was announced today.
He is Mr. John Mahon, London District Secretary of the Communist Party.
Mr. Kenneth Robinson, a company secretary, is standing for the Labour Party, and Mr. Bell Shields, for the Conservatives.
The by-election is caused by the death of Mr. George House, the Labour member who won the seat at the general election in 1945. His majority was 7,830 votes.—Reuter.

Baby For Chennaults



Mrs. Anna Chennault holds tenderly up her baby daughter, Claire Anna Chennault for the photographer at Hackett Hospital in Canton, China.—(AP Photo).

Ships From Hong Kong Free To Clear For Communist-Held Ports

(By Our Harbour Reporter)

There are no restrictions on any ships which wish to clear for Chinese Communist ports from the Colony, as the Marine Department has no jurisdiction over the ultimate destination of a British or foreign ship; it was officially learned yesterday.
Trade with China—Nationalist or Communist—is free, and permits for exports other than for prohibited exports, "China exports" or dutiable commodities, are not required.

No vessels have cleared for North China from here since the Red occupation of Tientsin, a Government spokesman stated.

So far as is officially recorded, no commodities of any kind have been shipped to Chinese Communist ports.

On the other hand, the American President Lines freighter President Fillmore was the first ship to be declared officially free as having called at a Communist port.

There had been no declarations of vessels calling at Red ports in North China until the arrival of the APL vessel.
Replying to a query that there had been persistent rumours in local shipping circles about ships clearing for North Korea and touching at Communist-held ports in North China either en route to or returning from North Korea, the spokesman stated:

No Breach Of Rule

"Regulations in this connection stated that 'should a master make a false declaration, he would be charged with such an offence.' If, however, a vessel clears for Korea and while en route receives instructions from her owners to proceed to a port other than that stated on her clearance, this change would in no way constitute a breach of local regulations."
Meanwhile, the arrival of the President Fillmore has revived local hopes for a quick resumption of trade with the Communist-held port of Tientsin.

Local traders have been busy making enquiries about available bottom with ready cargo to be shipped.

No definite schedule has been made yet.
Wallen and Company, however, reported yesterday that they expect a foreign ship to called here within this week. This vessel, whose registry and last part of call are not known yet, will most probably leave for Tientsin from the Colony.

A Chinese Press report that a Panamanian steamer, the Grina, had left to leave Hong Kong today for Tientsin was refuted by local authorities. "There is no such ship in port now or expected," an official said.
The report further stated that the agents concerned had been canvassing for cargo for the last few days.

The Weather

At 0600 GMT (8 p.m. HKST) the moderate but weakening anti-cyclone dominates China and the neighbouring seas. There is evidence of a deepening and seaward movement of depression over Manchuria.
Today's Forecast—Light or moderate S winds; fair.
Tomorrow's Forecast—Light or moderate S winds; fair.
Maximum 68 deg. Fah. Minimum 57 deg. Fah. Sunshine 1.8 hours. Rainfall: Nil. Total since Jan. 1—189 mm.—5.9 in. as at 00.00 on average of 79.7 mm.—3.13 in. Readings at 10 a.m. 4 p.m. Date at m.s.l. 1028.8 1019.9 mm. Bar. at m.s.l. 1028.8 1019.9 mm. Rel. humidity 75 74 deg. F. Dew Point 50 57 deg. F. Wind Direction 10 10 knots. Wind Force 10 11. Tide 1118 6.0 High 1118 6.0 Low 1047 2.7

RUSSIA HAS A-BOMB, SOVIET REFUGEE PILOT SAYS IN JAPAN

Tokyo, March 1.

A former Russian pilot who stole a plane and flew to Japan to seek haven with the Americans, said today he believes Russia has the atomic bomb.

The pilot is 23-year-old Vladimir Barashkov.

His escape was made public today by General MacArthur's Headquarters, and he told the press how he flew here last November 10 and crash-landed his plane, which was the Russian model of America's C-47.

The Army does not know definitely what he will do or where he is being resettled.

Sergeant Barashkov made an emergency landing on Rishiri Island, just west of the Northern tip of Hokkaido, Japan, after his plane ran out of gas on a projected flight from Petelychka, Soviet Maritime Province, to Wakkana, Hokkaido. He said he originally planned to surrender to the American forces there.
When he met the press, the tall, well-built Russian was wearing a brown suit, white shirt and had a green GI handkerchief. He wore a blue tie with red dots. He smoked American cigarettes and played with his watch chain with his big powerful-looking hands. At times he appeared nervous, and at times he smiled.

He left behind him in Russia a father, four brothers and two sisters. He said he believed the Russians would tell him he was killed in a plane crash. He was from East Russia. He has no relatives outside Russia.

Sergeant Barashkov said that he and his comrades and most people in Russia believe Russia has the atomic bomb. He had no specific information to back up his belief other than that Russian journals carried articles on atomic developments and the Foreign Minister, Mr. Vyacheslav Molotov, had indicated in a speech that Russia had a weapon like the American atomic bomb. He had not heard of any reports of Russian atomic bomb tests in Siberia.

The Russian escapee indicated that his contacts with Russian aviators who had been to the United States had much to do with his decision to flee his Communist-held country.

Russia has about 40 airfields in the Far East, he said, adding that 10 or 15 of these are capable of handling four-engine bombers. He named about 20 of these fields and said he had been to those and more others. He said Russia has 1,000 to 1,200 planes operating from these bases.

Sergeant Barashkov, who first gave the American army authorities the name of Senior Lieutenant Ivan Usachov, said he was determined not to return to Russia. He also said he had tried to escape from Russia by plane during the war in April, 1945 via Finland.

Seizes Opportunity

Barashkov told American officers that it was on November 10, during a routine flight, that he seized the opportunity to flee Russia when, following landing of the plane at Petelychka, the crew and passengers disembarked and went to a nearby village, leaving him to guard the plane.

He took off and navigated by dead reckoning to the tip of Hokkaido before exhausting the plane's gasoline supply.
The American Army said after the Russian landed on Rishiri, he was taken to Sapporo, Hokkaido, and the badly damaged Russian aircraft was placed under military guard.
General MacArthur's Headquarters' statement said: "Steps were taken immediately by Headquarters Far East Command to notify Lieutenant-General K. N. Dorevnyanko, senior Soviet military representative in Japan, that Barashkov was seeking safe haven of the United States authorities, and extend to the Soviet mission the right to interrogate the pilot."
The American statement said that five representatives of the mission would go to Sapporo in company of U.S. officers to question the man. However, two hours before the train left Tokyo for Sapporo, the Soviet mission advised the Far East Command Headquarters that its interrogation team was not ready to leave.
The American authorities pointed out, the statement said, "that the man had sought safe haven and that it is of the American policy to repatriate refugees forcibly against their will."—United Press.

HKDF ORDINANCE COMES INTO FORCE

The Hong Kong Defence Force Ordinance, 1948, came into force yesterday by the Governor's proclamation appearing in the Gazette.

The Governor has appointed Colonel L.T. Ride to be Commandant of the Hong Kong Defence Force with effect from yesterday.

Major Benjamin Gordon Fugh, Royal Welch Fusiliers, has been appointed to be Adjutant of the HKDF.

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MAY WAS HARD WORKER, WITNESS TELLS COURT

Evidence that May was an extremely keen and hard-working employee of the PWD, and that he worked so hard immediately after the re-occupation that he consequently had to go to hospital, was given by May's superior officer at the PWD, Mr. J. C. Brown, Chief Electrical and Mechanical Engineer of the electrical department of the PWD, who was testifying in the trial of Kwok Kwong, foreman, and Arthur Frederick May, Electrical Inspector, Grade I, who are charged with three counts of larceny by public servant and three counts of falsification of documents with intent to defraud the Government.

Brown took the witness stand all day yesterday, the second hearing of the trial. At the start of his testimony, J. C. Brown, Chief Electrical and Mechanical Engineer of the Public Works Department, went into the witness stand to be cross-examined by Mr. Clifford. Brown, in the course of cross-examination, disclosed that it was May's idea of devising the method of keeping the stores at Wanchai and getting estimates in detail after the re-occupation. The present system of accounting, he said, was devised by May. It was he who issued general instructions as to the necessary forms which were accepted by the PWD.

Witness also agreed that, under the pre-war system regarding stores, it would have been very easy for a foreman to get away with materials. The pre-war system, he said, involved a complete trust in the foreman. Witness agreed further that the present system afforded much greater measure of security than the pre-war one.

The stores at Hung Hom, Brown agreed, were of a kind of dump depot for distribution. While the goods were in actual transit, they would be solely the foreman's responsibility. The Inspector, however, had overall control of the stores, he said.

The key to the stores at Hung Hom was held by the foreman. It was his responsibility to keep the stores at Hung Hom or take them out to the job. Brown disclosed that the Inspector could not check whether the materials were put in the Hung Hom depot or had gone straight to the job, unless he made a personal check.

When a job was finished, Brown revealed, an electrical inventory had to be made. The inventory, he said, would be signed by the occupier of the quarters being installed, or the person in charge of the premises. The Inspector would also sign it.

Three Copies
Brown went on to disclose that there would be three copies of the inventory. One of those copies would go to the head office of the Electrical Department, one to the Wanchai workshop and the third to the person who received the goods. Sometimes, however, two copies would be retained at the head office. One would definitely go to the person who received the materials.

Witness agreed that the copy in the head office could be checked against the other two. There was a running record of what should be left in the stores at Wanchai after the required materials had been taken out for a job.

Counsel went on to question witness on the subject of store order notes and certain method of procedure for taking stores. Brown agreed that when the

Inspector went around to see the job being done, his duty was to make a check to see if it was done in accordance with the regulations. However, he added, the Inspector would not carry out a personal check as he did not ordinarily have the time. Replying to a query, Brown said he would expect the Inspector to see whether or not the wire used on the job was suitable, but that he would not expect him to make a specific check. Witness also said he would not expect him to check up on the exact quantities of the materials used.

Mr. Clifford went on to ask Brown "he could remember whether sometime towards the end of July last year, May made a complaint about the Labour Distribution Board not being properly made up. Brown replied in the affirmative. Brown said that May had mentioned that the Board had been re-organised without his permission. May then tried to get it right.

Written Report
Questioned further on the subject of labour, witness disclosed that the duty of the chargehand would be to make out a written report of the persons under him and see on what jobs they were. The time-keeper would then put that down on the Daily Labour Distribution Job Report. Included in the Report, witness agreed, was the cost of the labour, and also the particular job done.

Counsel then turned to the question of the jobs marked down at To Kw Wan Market. Brown stated he could not say whether or not the work which was marked down as 80 men days was considered excessive by just looking at the estimate. He never saw the job himself, he said.

Turning back to the question of the present system, Brown disclosed that system was audited before May had to go to hospital early in 1947. The audit work took about three weeks, and consisted of checking up at the electrical office. Witness disclosed that he had received no adverse report out of this check.

Further questioned with regard to the daily paid men, Brown said there were no regulations forbidding them to work on non-Government jobs in non-Government time. Brown answering a question, agreed that the Inspector in charge could put down as overtime the money expended on the urgent stores, in the meantime paying for them out of his own pocket.

Asked if he knew any case where May used that system, Brown replied in the negative. Worked Overtime
Further questioned, witness disclosed that May himself worked for long hours overtime, but did not claim any overtime as far as he could recollect.

Asked by Counsel whether he knew May purchased out of his own pocket a calculating machine, Brown replied he did. That was before the war, he said. Brown further agreed that May had a great number of tools and instruments of his own, and that he frequently used these on Government jobs.

The lift at the Queen Mary's Hospital, witness agreed, "could have been out of operation for long time if May had not fixed it."

May, he further revealed, did not change this to the PWD. Mr. Clifford then enquired whether, Brown knew that May was presented with a watch and pen, witness replied affirmatively, stating "that he was shown the watch and pen, and that he was told by May that they were to be handed to the Director of Public Works."

Asked by Counsel if he could say that May was an extremely keen and hard-working employee of the electrical staff, Brown agreed with this. He further agreed that May had an aptitude for designing things. Among the things May designed, witness added, was the circuit gear for the film drying apparatus in the X-Ray Department, Queen Mary's Hospital, and a welding transformer for the Water Works. With regard to Leighton Hill, Mr. Clifford recalled witness that tenders were put out on the electrical materials there. He then asked Brown if May ever put in an estimate very considerably lower than the lowest tender received.

Estimate Lower
Witness answered by saying he reported on that tender, and found that the Government estimate was lower than those from outside.

Counsel then recalled to witness the time when he and May were interned at the Argyle Street Camp for about a week, and asked Brown as to the date he started getting the staff together after the Japanese surrender. Witness said that it was about August 20, 1945. May reported to him to look for the old PWD staff. Brown agreed with Counsel that at the time there was a great quantity of electrical materials lying about. He further agreed that it would have been very easy for May at that time, if he wanted to make a fortune, to take the materials and go to the Colonies for taking in stock of the materials on charge were devised by May witness disclosed May did most of the work, he added.

Further questioned, Brown said that later on May took only five months leave, when he could have taken more. May continued working extremely hard. Asked what happened to him then, Brown said that May eventually had to go to hospital, which was on March 4, 1947. When he returned to his duty, he was posted at the Hung Hom depot, and was told by witness not to overwork himself and to take things easier than before.

A month after he had been at Hung Hom, witness continued, he was put on the job of checking up furniture inventories in the PWD offices in addition to his own work. Brown was then briefly cross-examined by Kwok Kwong, after which witness was re-examined by Mr. Hooton. Hearing will continue at 10 a.m. this morning.

PEAK FIRE
Early yesterday morning, a small fire broke out at 3 Peak Road, the residence of Mr. R. J. Jones, the French Consul General. The fire brigade was summoned and the fire was put out before the appliance arrived.

Reminders
Today
Toc H Club meeting, Taiob House, 59, Macdonnell Road, 8.30 p.m.
HK Council of Social Services, talk on "Recent Developments in Industrial Welfare" by Mrs. M. Allinson and Mr. E. C. Brown, PRO, Lecture room, 8.30 p.m.
Sino-British Orchestra rehearsal, Casino Club, 6 p.m.
St. Andrew's Church Day of Prayer and Gifts (Ash Wednesday), Holy Communion 7.30 a.m. Thanksgiving Service 8.40 p.m.

Coming Events
TOMORROW
HK Automobile Association, annual general meeting, Root Garden, HK Hotel, 9.30 p.m.
Kowloon Rotary Club luncheon, Peninsula Hotel, 12.30 p.m.
Kowloon Chess Club extraordinary general meeting, Peninsula Hotel, 8.30 p.m.
Y's Men Club Dinner for new officials, Chinese Bankers Club, Bank of East Bldg., 7.30 p.m.
Association, Luncheon, Jacobson Room, HK Hotel, 12.45 p.m.
HK Council of Women, general meeting, YWCA, Duddell Street, 5.15 p.m.

FRIDAY
Shanghai Lodge, annual general meeting, 601-603 Marina House, 12 noon.
Green Island Cement Co., Ltd., annual general meeting.
SATURDAY
HK & Shanghai Banking Corporation, annual general meeting, 11.30 a.m.
King George V School, annual sports, 2 p.m.

Hyde Park For Manila

Manila, March 1.
Manila will soon have the counterpart of London's famous Hyde Park, where citizens freely speak and hold demonstrations without the necessity of securing a permit from the Mayor's Office. President Quirino has instructed the City Mayor to allocate a portion of land adjoining the "ruined old Manila" walls as "Freedom Park," where everybody will be permitted to express views on any subject.

Action was taken following vigorous press criticism of the Mayor's refusal to grant a permit for a political rally on the grounds that there might be violence, in view of the current political tension.—United Press.

RAF Band Airs Rhumbaleros Over Radio HK

A concert by "The Rhumbaleros," RAF Rumba Band formed before the start of the Far East tour of the No. 1 Regional Band, was broadcast over Radio Hong Kong last night.
The RAF Rumba Band was formed by L. A. C. Murray, who leads the Band on the flute. He is a versatile musician and took up the flute at the age of 11 years.
When he was 12 years old, he played the Mozart Flute Concerto in the Cape Town city hall with the Cape Town Municipal Orchestra.
Subsequently, he performed with great success throughout the Union of South Africa.
When he was 16 years old, he returned to England. He attended the Royal College of Music with the Cape Town Municipal first term.
Before he was called up at the age of 18, he had played with most of the leading London orchestras.
Mr. Murray is 19 years old and hopes to be demobilised when he returns to the United Kingdom. He plans to return to the Royal College of Music.
The RAF Rumba Band gave its first public performance at Singapore. The occasion was the annual dance of the Malayan Rugby Union at the Raffles Hotel.

Cautioned For Breaking Taxi Window

Cyril Taylor, aged 20, of HMS Alert was charged before Mr. F. X. O'Connell at Central yesterday for damaging a window pane of a taxicab on February 26.
According to the prosecution, Taylor on the night of February 26 went to the Star Taxi Stand near the Star Ferry. He got into Taxi No. 4688 but could not tell the driver where to go and was at that time alleged to be under the influence of liquor. Taylor then broke a pane of the taxi with his fist.
Pleading guilty Taylor said that he had gone up to three taxis and asked them to take him and a friend to the Chin Lee Club but was refused. This annoyed him and he clenched a fist and damaged the glass pane.
An officer of the ship said that Taylor had been with HMS Alert for 16 months and he has a clean record. He was surprised that Taylor had acted that way. In fact he has a very good record.
Taylor was cautioned and bound for over the sum of \$100 to be of good behaviour for 12 months. Taylor intimated that he was willing to pay \$35 compensation to pay the cost of the pane that was damaged.

ALMOST FINED
WRONG MOTHER
One mother almost paid the penalty for another mother's son in the Juvenile Court yesterday. But fortunately, Mr. Blair-Kerr saw to it that the right parties got their dues.
The boys were brought up on a charge of larceny of some metal from a godown. They were found guilty.
One of the boys, however, had a previous conviction and the mother was responsible. She was given a sentence.
Just as one of the three women was turning from the dock, the boy asserted that she was not his mother.

GOLD ORDERED
CONFISCATED
An order for confiscation of the gold was given by Mr. Blair-Kerr at Kowloon yesterday when he arrived at his decision in relation to the case where approximately \$80,000 worth of gold was brought into the Colony by a Shanghai Chinese girl without permit.
This ended the case of Wu Sui-ying, aged 26, charged with offering a gold bar to a constable and a constable who had been found in her possession by Detective Officer of the R.A.P. on February 17.

CORRESPONDENCE

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Same Old Stuff

Sir,—When Mr. H. G. W. Woodhead came back to the Colony, we expected that he would tell us something that we had not learned about America and England. About the "tension between" USA and USSR. About what the Democrats will do in China. About what attitude his home-folks take on the future of Hong Kong.
Instead he gave us the same old stuff as we have heard so often. He used to edit the China Year Book. His thesis is that because the Mission Schools agreed to teach San Min Chi I, they will have to help the indoctrination of Communism when the Reds rule.
He regards as historical falsehoods, the economic, political and social conditions of the Chinese and the results of his prejudice and prejudice and a priori opinions. He is a typical representative of the people and the attitude of the people on modern science and philosophy.

Whatever had names Mr. Woodhead may call San Min Chi I was a copy of studies of Abraham Lincoln's theory that a government of the people by the people and for the people shall not perish. It is little more progressive than what Mr. Woodhead knows, obviously. The school of O. M. Green and J. O. P. Bland to which Mr. Woodhead apparently belongs teaches Kipling's theory that there is still the inferior race to be exploited as the White Man's burden.

The trouble with the Kuomintang is not that it forced mission schools to teach San Min Chi I. The trouble is that Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek, whom Mr. Woodhead appears to respect after the form, sold out to his Red friends, did not care to put into effect San Min Chi I.

Mr. Woodhead appears equally ignorant of the difference between Communism as a political and economic philosophy and Communism as a religion or government in Russia and her satellite countries.

Communism as a philosophy regards private property as surplus value of Labour who has been exploited by the selfish capitalists. It is a philosophy of the fact that the history of the world is the history of class struggles. History, according to Marx, must be interpreted in the light of materialistic environments of human associations.

Although Marx wrote his books with reference to the 19th Century, his theory is still valid. Mr. Woodhead over reads or understands his contribution to Political Economy and Political Science. The editions of so many copies of the China Year Book have made Mr. Woodhead's head too full of xenophobic theories that ought to be stored in a museum.

It is not the teaching or theory of Marx that is dangerous. Rather, it is the gospel of the Working class. It is the distortion now interpreted in Russia and her satellite states that has made the world upside down.
As the French Revolution was aiming at the realisation of modern democracies in the 18th century, the Bolshevik revolution has been aiming at the realisation of the economic equality in the 20th century.
England defeated Napoleon because England could apply the philosophy of the French Revolution better than the Emperor from Corsica.

If England and America want to defeat communism and Stalinism, they must be prepared to play the game better than Stalin and his band. England and America must improve the lot not only of the Colonial natives, but also of the less fortunate Englishmen and Americans.

One cannot expect the mentality of Mr. Woodhead to appreciate the fact that the world is moving for the best. His mind has been made too xenophobic by editing China Year Books.

AUTHORITY ON MIK-TAO
AH-MUK-LING

Bus Service
Sir,—I read with surprise and chagrin the notice inserted in your paper by the China Motor Bus Co. concerning their change of the No. 4 Bus Route as from March 1, 1949 to the following route:—From V.F. Pier to the Q.M. Hospital via Connaught Road Central, Pedder Street, Queen's Road Central and West, and Pokfulam Road.
That is to say, there will be no buses running from Garden Road, Causeway Road, and Bonham Road. One will take the No. 3 bus to the University terminus, from Garden Road, Causeway Road or Bonham Road if one wants to get to the Q.M. Hospital. At the University terminus one has to wait for another bus to get to the Hospital.
It is obvious from the above that a passenger has to pay twice in order to get to the Hospital, not to speak of the time wasted waiting for another bus. In the policy of the China Motor Bus Co. to seek the best for the rich, it will not be affected for they can always afford a taxi. Also does the Co. realise that the new system is an inconvenience to passengers and also a waiting time? Maybe the Bus Co. can run a bus from the University terminus to the road with better service and at a cheaper rate too.
If only those concerned with the policy of the China Motor Bus Co.

will get up early enough and go along Causeway Road and observe the number of school children and people waiting for buses at the bus stops, they will notice a multitude of them will be refused admittance, for the buses are always full up.

The bus conductors will tell them if they want to know. It is obvious that the number of buses along the Causeway Road are insufficient to cope with the number of passengers. The No. 4 bus relieved the congestion to a certain extent in spite of the half hourly service. Now that the No. 4 is withdrawn from Causeway Road the congestion will be best left to the imagination of the Bus Co.

I hope the Government will see to it that the bus services in Hong Kong are better and more efficient by run and that the paying passenger not just to take what is thrown at him or her.

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Water to 1 litre.
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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Ordinary Yearly General Meeting of the Company will be held at the Offices of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson and Company, Limited, Hong Kong, on Tuesday, 22nd day of March, 1949, at 12 o'clock Noon, to transact the ordinary business of the Company.

And, NOTICE IS HEREBY ALSO GIVEN that the Register of Members of the Company will be closed from the 8th to the 22nd day of March, 1949, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
W. H. PATERSON,
Secretary.

Hong Kong, Feb. 22, 1949.

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

Draft Programmes and Entry Forms for the Third Race Meeting to be held on Saturday, March 12, 1949 (weather permitting) may be obtained at the Secretary's Office, Exchange Building; the Club House, Happy Valley; and the Stables, Shan Kwong Road.

Entries close at 12 o'clock NOON on Thursday, March 3, 1949.

By Order,
C. B. BROWN,
Secretary.

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

Notice to Members
Australian Subscription Ponies 1950

The Stewards have ordered a batch of 100 Australian Subscription Ponies to race in 1950 and they now invite Members to subscribe for them.

An application form has been posted to every Member. In the event of non-delivery further forms may be obtained at the Club's Office, 1st Floor, Exchange Building.

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By Order,
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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN

that the Fifty-sixth Ordinary Yearly Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the Company, Exchange Building, Des Voeux Road Central, Hong Kong, on Friday, 4th March, 1949, at NOON for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Board of Directors, together with the Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1948, and to elect Directors and appoint Auditors.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from Friday, 18th February, 1949, to Friday, 4th March, 1949, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

R. TAYLOR,
Manager and Secretary.
Hong Kong, Feb. 5, 1949.

THE HONG KONG ELECTRIC CO., LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

NOTICE is hereby given that the Fifty-sixth Ordinary Yearly Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Company's Office, 4th Floor, P. & O. Building, on Thursday the 17th day of March, 1949, at 11 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Board of Directors together with the Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December 1948, and to elect Directors and appoint Auditors.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from 5th March to 17th March, 1949, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
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Hong Kong, Feb. 17, 1949.

THE ST. PATRICK'S SOCIETY OF HONG KONG

ST. PATRICK'S DAY, 17TH MARCH, 1949.

The St. Patrick's Day Dinner and Dance will be held in the "Grippe," Hong Kong Hotel. A circular has been forwarded to all Members giving fullest details, but in the event of non-delivery Members are requested to apply to the Hon. Secretary for further copies.

All persons of Irish Association not yet members are cordially invited to join the Society. Membership application forms may be obtained from the Hon. Secretary.

Dennis G. Sherriff,
Hon. Secretary,
P.O. Box No. 615

NOTICE

We have pleasure in announcing that Mr. F. S. Li, A.C.A., has been appointed Manager of the Chinese Audit Department of this firm as from 1st March 1949.

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ENGINEERING SOCIETY OF HONG KONG SESSION 1948/49.

Members are reminded that a paper on "Modern Developments in Electronic Control" by Mr. Warner S. Yeh will be given on Wednesday evening in the Jacobean Room of the Hong Kong Hotel at 5.45 p.m.

Tea will be served from 5 p.m.

PORTUGUESE INSTITUTE

On the 4th of March inst. Mr. Leo d'Almada e Castro will deliver a lecture entitled "Some notes on the Portuguese in Hong Kong." This lecture will take place at the Club Lusitano, Ice House Street No. 16, at 6.00 p.m.

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that Mr. R. Burgoyne has resigned from Messrs. Reuben Import Export Co., Ltd. with effect as from 1st March 1949.

THE HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION

ORDINARY YEARLY GENERAL MEETING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Ordinary Yearly General Meeting of the Shareholders of the Corporation will be held at the Head Office of the Corporation, 1 Queen's Road Central, Hong Kong, on Saturday the 6th day of March, 1949, at 11.30 a.m. for the purpose of receiving and considering the reports of the Directors and of the Auditors and the Profit and Loss Account and Balance Sheet for the year ended 31st December, 1948, and for the election of Directors and the appointment of Auditors.

The Register of Shares of the Corporation will be closed from Friday, the 18th of February to Saturday the 6th of March, 1949 (both days inclusive) during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

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Correspondence

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on no account expose to daylight, as this will ruin the film. Redewash for 4 to 5 minutes in the first developer (full strength). Wash for five minutes, harden in a solution of chrome alum, and then wash for 15 minutes, and hang to dry away from dust, this completes the process.

The film must be continuously agitated during the whole process, as lack of agitation causes dull transparencies. During the second exposure period of one minute at 18 inches from the 100 watt lamp, the agitation side of the film should be exposed to the light only, the result should be perfect transparencies if the photographer has been conscientious in his exposures while taking the film, and the method of processing as described above.

Myself, I have developed quite a number of these films, and the results have been everything that I could desire. Should any of your readers be in doubt, I will only be too pleased to assist them if they would call on me during the evening at Room 203, Y.M.C.A. Kowloon. I hope in the near future to be in the position to give a demonstration, but I must wait for some convenient time and place, and in the near future I will give a formula for making colour prints from their transparencies.
H. WHITTLE

Jean Brediam, FMC Director In S'hai, Dies

News of the death on February 27, in a Paris clinic of M. Jean Brediam, former Director of the French Municipality in Shanghai, was received in the Colony yesterday.

M. Brediam graduated from the French school of technology, Ecole Polytechnique of Paris. He saw service through the First World War in the Aeronautical Corps. He was decorated with the Legion d'Honneur of which he was an officer, and the Croix de Guerre with bars. After the first world war, he joined the Banque Franco-Chinoise, came to China, and was for many years a resident of Peking. In 1934 he joined the administration of the French Concession in Shanghai and was until 1940 the Director of Municipal Services. He then left China and took up an appointment with the French Administration in North Africa. He returned to China again in 1940 and was appointed the head of the Shanghai office of the French Economic Mission. He was repatriated recently on the ss. Champlain suffering from heart trouble. Several times he was victimised by opponents with the old gag of bidding at first a suit in which he held nothing of value and then snapping into a No Trump game a bit later. The chap in the West seat was particularly laying in ambush for him to do it again.

BAIL ESTREATED

The keepers of an opium divan at No. 33 Gough Street failed to put in an appearance in court and had their bail of \$1,000 estimated by Mr. F.X. d'Almada at Central yesterday. A warrant was also issued for their arrest. The defendants, Li Ming-sang and Chun Man, charged with operating an opium divan. The premises had been raided once before.

The smokers which included two women, two tailors, a cook, a seaman and some unemployed persons were each fined \$125 or 25 days.



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CARNIVAL

By Dick Turner



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BARCLAY ON BRIDGE

By Shepard Barclay

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READING OF LEADS BAD THERE IS NO department of the average player's game which is weaker, in comparison with that of the stars, than the reading of leads. One item in which that shows pronouncedly is the opening lead against a No Trump game contract. When neither defender had bid, the opener has two principal kinds of desirable leads. On the fourth-best from a long suit, topped by an "honour combination" and the other, still better if possible, an honour from one topped by such a set-up.

SK 5
H J 10 9 4
D A Q J 4 2
C 8 5
S 9 4
H A 8 7 6
D 10 8 7
C A J 8 2
S A J 6
H Q 5 3
D 6 3
C K Q 10 6 3
(Dealer: East. Both sides vulnerable.)

East: South-West vulnerable. Pass 1 C Pass 1 D Pass 1 NT Pass 2 NT Pass 3 NT A veteran kiltzer had sat most of the evening behind the player who held the South cards of this rubber deal. Several times he had victimised his opponents with the old gag of bidding at first a suit in which he held nothing of value and then snapping into a No Trump game a bit later. The chap in the West seat was particularly laying in ambush for him to do it again.

This time the kiltzer had a seat behind East, as the players had shifted after the preceding

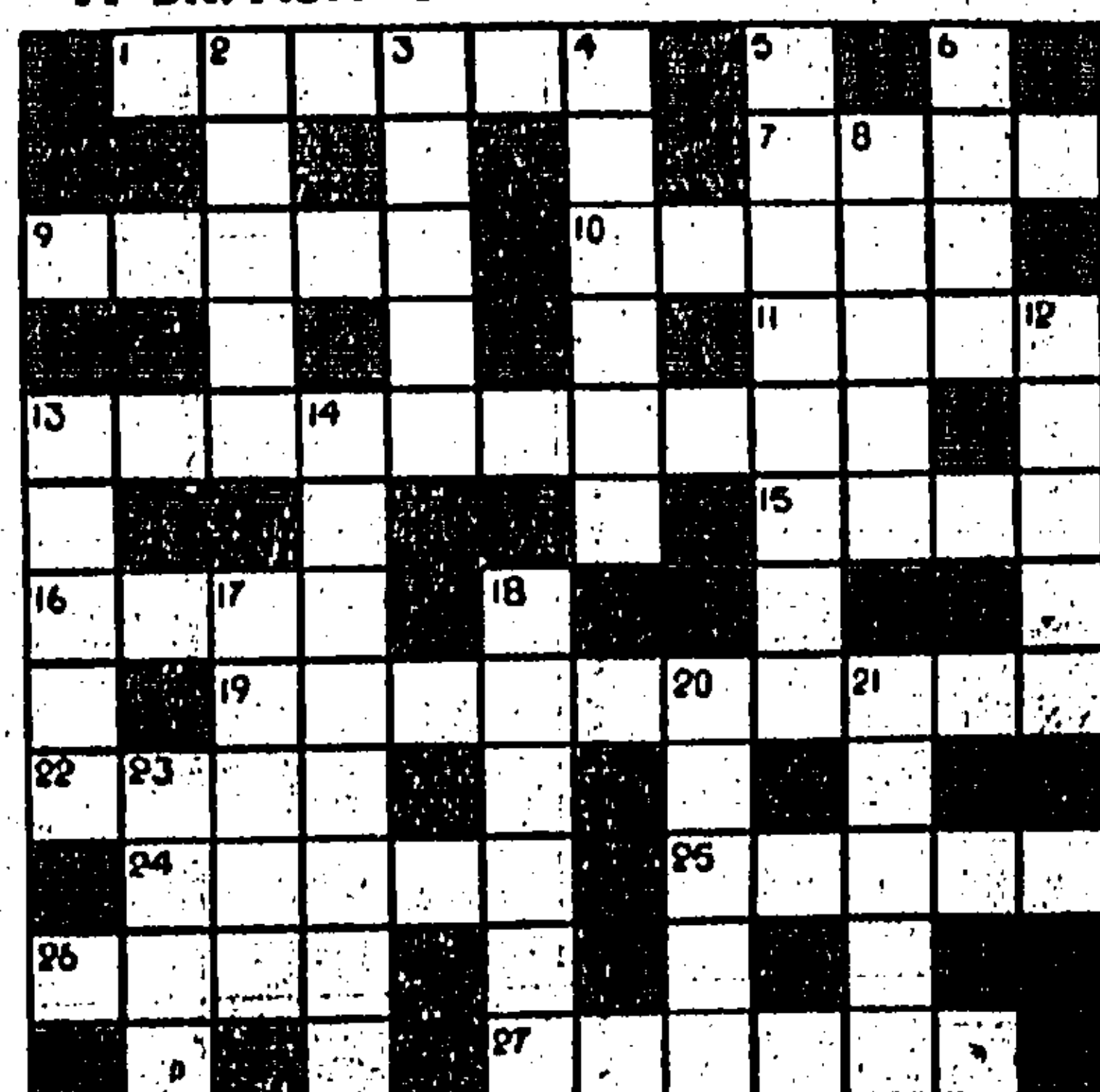
rubber. So, when West led the club 7, he knew the latter suspected South had bid clubs merely to lead off the lead because he held nothing in the suit.

That lead tickled East, who read it as a fourth-best, which could place South with only a useless doubleton. Having this own good holding, East came in with the A and sent back the 2. South then went to town. He won with the 10, fanned diamonds, led to the spade A, scored three more clubs, took a second diamond finesse, dropped the diamond A with the K, ran two more diamonds, scored the spade K, then gave up the last trick to the heart A, having won eleven. How could East read the club 7 as a fourth-best? If it were, West would have the K-Q-10 at the top of his suit, in which case the K would be the lead. Had East read that way, he would not have returned a club, but a heart, and his side would have taken two tricks in the suit before the declarer got his run of minor suits started.

Tomorrow's Problem
S 9 6
H A K 10 7
D 9 8 5 2
C A 6 5
S A Q 10
H Q 9 5
D J 10
C K Q 7 4
S K 8 5 2
H J 8
D A K 6 4
C J 10 6
(Dealer: North. East-West vulnerable.)

How should South play for his 3-No Trumps after West leads the spade 3 to the J?

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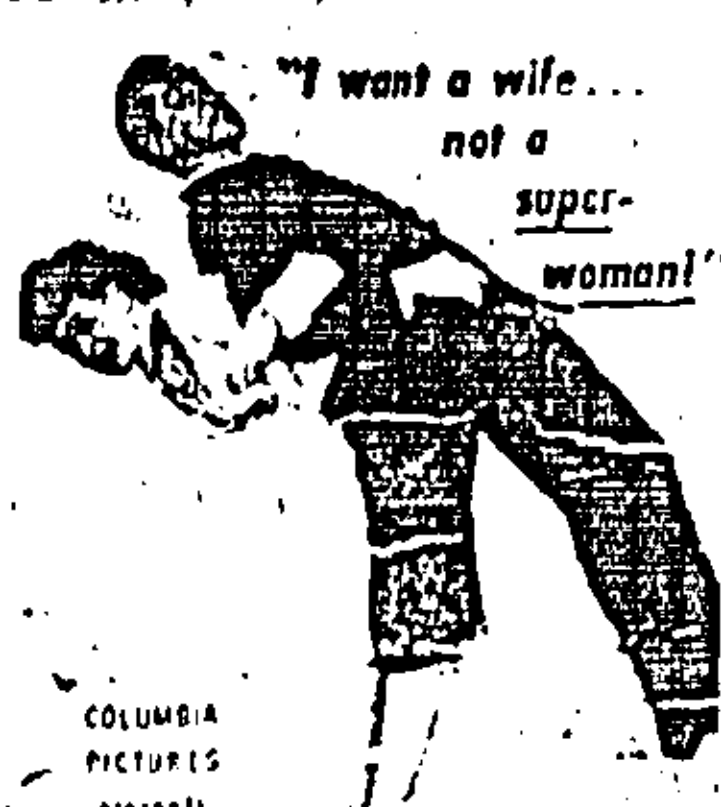
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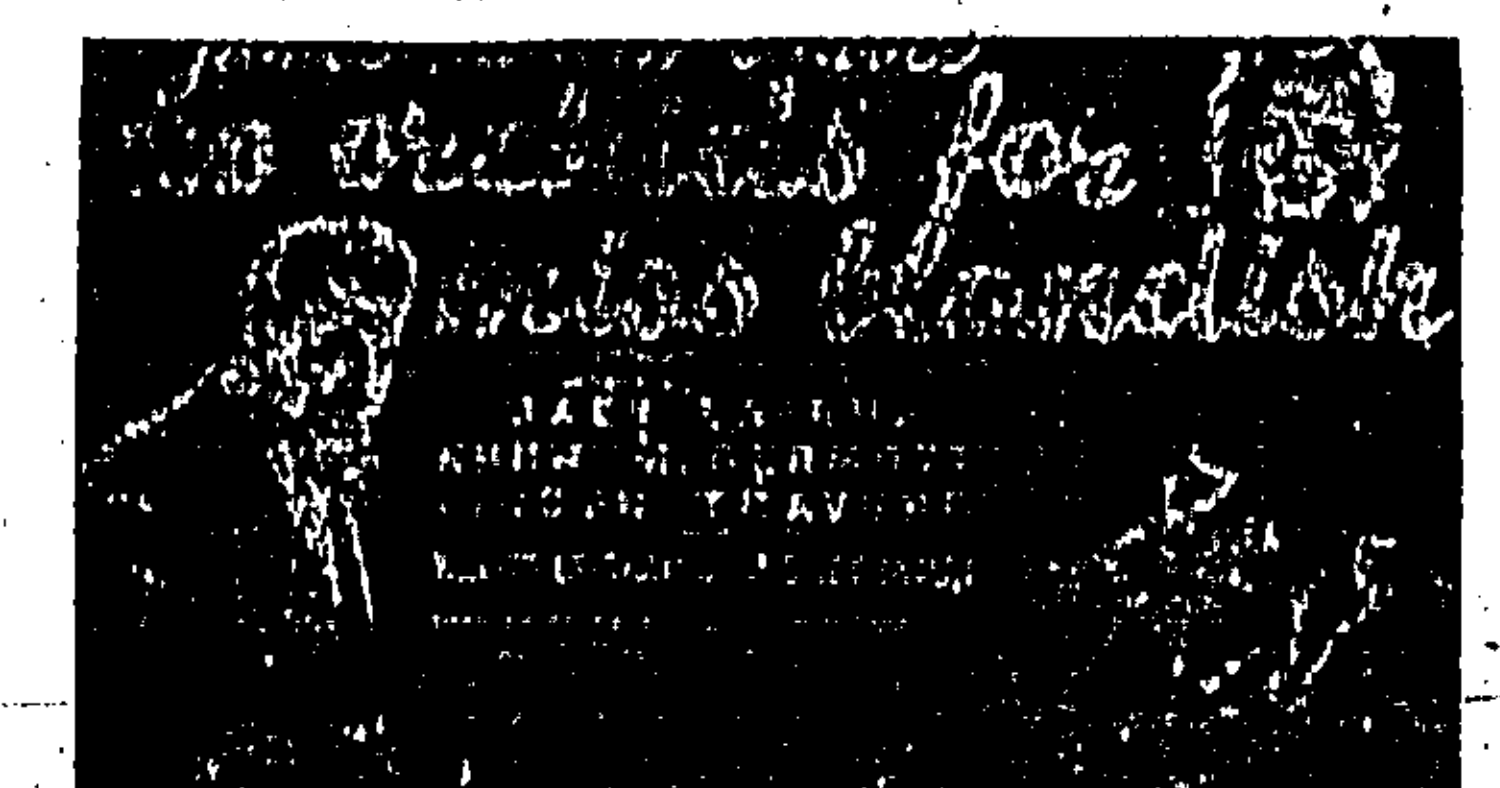
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There is order and discipline on this little island which is under the municipal jurisdiction of the town of Guiuan, on the Southern end of Samar. The White Russians and sprinkling of other nationalities make the most of everything as only refugees can.

The International Refugee Organisation camp is far from a mere regrouping area along the route of the refugees' uncharted journey. It is a veritable little world of its own, where people live and love, laugh and cry, work and pray and have fun. Notable even to the casual observer is the apparent light-heartedness of most of the refugees. A few have solemn faces, but the majority seem to have left their cares behind when they fled under the IRO's care and protection from China's victorious Red legions.

Upwards of 6,000 refugees will be here by March. This island will soon have the possibly unequalled distinction of having a population of 20 different nationalities—19 different European nationalities and Filipinos.

Daily Chores

Life in tents, provided by the U.S. Army, has its discomforts, but the refugees are taking it with a smile. While the children attend to daily chores, such as cooking and tidying up the "house," the children play, swim in the sea, or read. Many of the young girls, most of them endowed with good looks, work in the various offices in the camp as clerks and interpreters. Two refugee families have been visited by the stock, and more babies are expected shortly. The distinction of being the first refugee baby to be born on Philippine soil belongs to a girl, the daughter of Viktor and Rita Tresken. Born January 31, the girl's Russian Orthodox name is Larissa, but in honour of the

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4.40 p.m.—Radio News Reel, (London Relay)
4.55 p.m.—"Swan Lake" With the HBC Midland Orchestra, conducted by Gilbert Vinter, (BUCTS)
5.15 p.m.—Weather Report and Close Down.

Philippines who is also called Philippina. Larissa Philippina Tresken, native of Guiuan, Philippines, citizen of no country.

A young couple, the first to be wed in camp, are now on their honeymoon. They live in a tent, but they could not have chosen a more beautiful spot to spend the first days of marriage. When Alex Fromin and Olga Kluge were wed last February 13, a nearly full

Rift Denied In London

London, February 28. Officials here hastened today to remove any impression that a conflict between the Treasury and the Foreign Office had been caused by a speech at the United Nations last week by Mr. Christopher Mayhew, Under-Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs.

Because of Mr. Mayhew's announcement that Britain "had completed her recovery," the United States Senate Foreign Relations Committee was today enquiring into Britain's European Recovery Programme needs. The Foreign Office said today that Mr. Ernest Bevin, the Foreign Secretary, and the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Sir Stafford Cripps, had together decided to issue a week-end statement, saying that United States aid was still vital to Britain's full economic recovery.

This Foreign Office declaration was believed to be in answer to suggestions that the ERP Information Office of the Treasury had taken its own initiative in "answering Mr. Mayhew."

Today's Foreign Office statement said the week-end Treasury statement was issued on behalf of Sir Stafford Cripps as the result of consultations between the Treasury and the Foreign Office. "The Foreign Secretary and the Chancellor of the Exchequer had together gone into the matter very thoroughly and had reached the conclusion that a statement to clarify the position of His Majesty's Government was desirable," the Foreign Office added. —Reuter.

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U.S. Economic Plan Receives British Backing

Lako Success, February 28.

Britain threw its weight behind the American plan, for economic assistance to backward countries, in the United Nations today but India criticised the plan because it did not say specifically who was going to pay for it.

The United Nations Social and Economic Council began the debate on President Truman's "bold new programme" for economic assistance to the world's backward areas.

Mr. Christopher Mayhew, British Under-Secretary of State, told the Council: "All our experience confirms Mr. Willard Thorp's statement that this is a task for decades, not for years. We are conscious that, however bold, the programme, all that can be done in the first few years cannot be sufficient for the vast underdeveloped areas of the world. I know I am voicing the opinion of the majority of members of the Council when I say how much we welcome the lead given by President Truman in his inaugural address on the problem of development."

The Under Secretary warned, however, that the United Nations should confine the administration of any assistance programme to one agency rather than spread its funds through various special agencies and regional commissions, although he added that the work of these agencies should continue while the new programme was being formulated.

He said Britain was ready and anxious to compete with other countries, "both within and outside United Nations machinery," to contribute technical assistance to the world's backward areas, within its means. He pointed out that Britain currently embarked on a ten-year programme for development of its colonial areas, which include many of the world's under-developed areas.

Mr. Mayhew urged the United Nations to aim at lowering of excessively high protective tariff barriers to aid backward areas, but added that the chief means of developing these countries were by self-help and through financing by countries and organisations such as the International Bank.

"We share the view that every type of technical co-operation should be encouraged and at the

level of inter-government co-operation. The most efficient method should be used, whether bilateral or multilateral," United Press.

Ice Age Retreating

Melbourne, February 28. Scientists now have certain confirmation that the ice age is still retreating and the world's climate is getting warmer according to an Australian geologist, Mr. A.J. Lambeth.

Mr. Lambeth, who is a member of the party of Australian scientists who arrived here today after 14 months of scientific work on Heard Island, in the Antarctic, said that this was the first time that definite evidence had been obtained that the Southern Ice Cap was retreating.

He said he would not know until he had compiled his data as to how many million years would pass before the new ice age could be expected. It might take two years to correlate the information to determine the seasonal effects of the polar conditions, he said.

These scientists, who were recently relieved by another party of 12 scientists on Heard Island, said they had suffered no serious illness while on the island, but some of them had got colds and sore throats after they had boarded the Australian naval vessel, Labuan, for their return journey to Australia.

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Importance Of Darlan
By Winston Churchill

IN the closing days at Bordeaux Admiral Darlan became very important. My contacts with him had been few and formal. I respected him for the work he had done in recreating the French Navy, which after 10 years of his professional control was more efficient than at any time since the French Revolution.

When in December, 1939, he had visited England we gave him an official dinner at the Admiralty. In response to the toast, he began by reminding us that his grandfather had been killed at the Battle of Trafalgar. I thereupon thought of him as one of those ambitious Frenchmen who hate England. Our Anglo-French naval discussions in January had also shown how very jealous the Admiral was of his professional position in relation to whoever was the political Minister of Marine. This had become a positive obsession, and I believe played a definite part in his action.

For the rest Darlan had been present at most of the conferences which I have described, and as the end of the French resistance approached, he had repeatedly assured me that whatever happened the French fleet should never fall into German hands. Now at Bordeaux came the fateful moment in the career of this ambitious, self-seeking and capable Admiral. His authority over the Fleet was for all practical purposes absolute. He had only to order the ships to British, American or French colonial harbours—some had already started—to be obeyed.

Kindred Spirits

In the morning of June 17, after the fall of M. Reynaud's Cabinet, he declared to General Georges that he was resolved to give the order. The next day Georges met him in the afternoon and asked him what had happened. Darlan replied that he had changed his mind. When asked why, he answered simply, "I am now Minister of Marine." This did not mean that he had changed his mind in order to become Minister of Marine, but that a different point of view. How vain are human calculations of self-interest! Rarely has there been a more convincing example. Admiral Darlan had but to sail in any one of his ships to any port outside France to become the master of all French interests abroad. He would not have come, like General de Gaulle, with only an unconquerable heart and a few kindred spirits. He would have carried with him outside the German reach the fourth Navy in the world, whose officers and men were personally devoted to him. As long as Darlan would have become the chief of the French Resistance with a mighty weapon in his hand, British and American dockyards and arsenals would have been at his disposal for the maintenance of his fleet. The French gold reserve in the United States would have assured him, once recognised, of ample resources. The whole French Empire would have rallied to him. Nothing could have prevented him from being the Liberator of France. The fame and power which he so ardently desired were in his grasp. He asked, he went forward through two years of worrying and ignominious office to a violent death, a dishonoured grave, and a name long to be execrated by the French Navy and the nation he had hitherto served so well.

Final Note

There is a final note which should be struck at this point. In a letter which Darlan wrote to me on December 4, 1942, two days before his assassination, he vehemently claimed that he had kept his word. It cannot be disputed that no French ship was ever manned by the Germans or used against us by them in the war. This was not entirely due to Admiral Darlan's measures; but he had certainly built up in the officers and men of the French Navy that at all costs their ships should be destroyed before being seized by the Germans, whom he disliked as much as the English. (All French warships at Portsmouth or Plymouth were forcibly taken under British control on the night of July 2, 1940. Unsuccessful attempts were made to persuade the French fleet at Oran in Algeria either to join the British or to sail across the Atlantic to be demilitarised. In order to ensure that these ships should not fall into enemy hands intact, they were finally subjected to bombardments and air attack by a superior British force.) On July 4, I reported at length

his followers to sabotage his country's war effort when it starts, it sounds like real, old-fashioned treason in its own right.

to the House of Commons, what we had done. Although the cruiser Strasbourg had escaped from Oran and the effective disablement of the Richelieu had not then been reported, the measures we had taken had removed the French Navy from minor German calculations. I spoke for an hour or more that afternoon and gave a detailed account of all these sombre events as they were known to me. I thought it better for the sake of proportion to end upon a note which placed this mournful episode in true relation with the plight in which we stood. I therefore read to the House the admonition which I had, with Cabinet approval, circulated through the inner circles of the governing machine the day before.

Spread Alarm

On what may be the eve of an attempted invasion or battle for our native land, the Prime Minister desires to impress upon all persons holding responsible positions in the Government, in the Fighting Services or in the Civil Departments, the duty to maintain a spirit of alert and confident energy. While every precaution must be taken that time and means afford, there are no grounds for supposing that more German troops can be landed in this country, either from the air or across the sea, than can be destroyed or captured by the strong forces at present under arms. The Royal Air Force is in excellent order and at the highest strength yet attained. The German Navy was never so weak, nor the British Army at home so strong as now.

The Prime Minister expects all his Majesty's servants in high places to set an example of steadiness and resolution. They should check and rebuke the expression of loose and ill-digested opinions in their circles, or by their subordinates. They should not hesitate to report, or if necessary remove, any persons, officers or officials who are found to be consciously exercising a disturbing or depressing influence, and whose talk is calculated to spread alarm and despondency. Thus alone will they be worthy of the fighting men who, in the air, on the sea, and on land, have already met the enemy without any sense of being outmatched in martial qualities.

Very Silent

The House was very silent during the recital, but at the end there occurred a scene unique in my experience. Everybody seemed to stand up all around, cheering, for what seemed a long time. Up till this moment the Conservative party had treated me with some reserve, and it was from the Labour benches that I received the warmest welcome when I entered the House or voted on serious occasions. But now all joined in solemn stentorian accord.

The elimination of the French Navy as an important factor almost at a single stroke by violent action produced a profound impression in every country. It was this Britain which so many had counted down and out, which strangers had supposed to be quivering on the brink of surrender to the mighty power arrayed against her, striking ruthlessly at her dearest friends of yesterday and securing for a while to herself the undisputed command of the sea. It was made plain that the British War Cabinet feared nothing and would stop at nothing. This was true.

The genius of France enabled her people to comprehend the whole significance of Oran, and in her agony to draw new hope and strength from this additional bitter pang. General de Gaulle, whom I did not meet beforehand, was magnificent in his demeanour, and France liberated and restored has ratified his conduct.

I am indebted to M. Teilgen for a tale which should be told. In a village near Toulon dwelt two peasant families, each of whom had lost their sailor son by British

fire at Oran. A funeral service was arranged to which all their neighbours sought to go. Both families requested that the Union Jack should lie upon the coffin side by side with the Tricolour, and their wishes were respectfully observed. In this we may see how the comprehending spirit of simple folk touches the sublime.

Doom Hour

After Oran came the British Government, that the British Government was resolved to fight on to the last. But even if there were no moral weakness in Britain, how could the appalling physical facts be overcome? Our armies at home were known to be almost unarmed except for rifles. There were in fact hardly 500 field-guns of any sort and hardly 100 medium or heavy tanks in the whole country. Months must pass before our factories could make good even the munitions lost at Dunkirk. Can one wonder that the world at large was convinced that our hour of doom had struck?

Deep alarm spread through the United States, and indeed through all the surviving free countries. Americans gravely asked themselves whether it was right to cast away any of their own severely limited resources to indulge a generous though hopeless sentiment. Ought they not to strain every nerve and nurse every weapon to remedy their own unpreparedness? It needed a very sure judgment to rise above these cogent, matter-of-fact arguments. The gratitude of the British nation is due to the noble President, and his great officers and high advisers for never, even in the advent of the Third Term President Election

War Ends
In Truce

Bangkok, February 28
Slam's "week-end war" ended today with a reported truce with the rebels and the appointment of a Government Conciliation Commission.

A Government communiqué said the troops called out for the suppression of the revolt would be withdrawn by 6.00 p.m. local time but would be ordered to stand by for further action. At least 43 rebels were arrested. No casualty figures have been released.

The fighting, in which Army and Navy groups clashed in the streets of the capital, was believed to be a sequel to an open revolt against the Government of Marshal Pibul Songkram by the civilian followers of Pridi Panomyong, the wartime leader of the anti-Japanese Resistance Movement. Pridi Panomyong was supported by elements of the Navy.

First reports from the Siamese Army Radio said heavy fighting had centred on the railway workshop area on the outskirts of Bangkok, around the Royal Palace in the centre of the city, and at the river mouth town of Paknam, 20 miles to the South.

The fighting began, the statement said, when a party of people in military uniform attacked the "Publicity Department" and took over its radio station—one of the four broadcasting stations in the capital.

The Siamese Air Force and police were understood to have been neutral in the crisis.

The capital was practically back to normal today but Government buildings and strategic points were still strongly guarded.

Diplomatic sources regarded the situation as still tense but improving. The rebel leaders and the Government were reported to be in conference on a final "peace" settlement.—Reuter.

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FREE WORLD'S
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We make no apology for again rattling the Communist skeleton, for the lengthening shadow of this apparition makes itself obvious nearer and nearer home. Only the other day we had to comment on Maurice Thorez of France, who with Palmiro Togliatti of Italy had declared that his countrymen would not oppose the Russian Army if it invaded, and would in fact indulge in sabotage to help it. Now comes Harry Pollitt, British Communist leader, saying the same thing. People born in London, Cardiff, Belfast, and Glasgow will welcome the alien conqueror if he ever manages to cross the English Channel.

To repeat an earlier comment, it simply sounds incredible to any ordinary person. Those of us familiar with Marxist theory can see the theoretical point that Communism is a world-wide faith, impervious to the borders and sovereignty of states, that it gives land back to the landless, etc., etc. That is all very well in theory, and sounded much better three or four decades ago. But one would have imagined it obvious even to the faithful that today Russia is more nationalistic than any other country on earth, and when her armies march in, it is to impose with utter ferocity her own economic system on another people. Do Scottish shipworkers and Welsh miners and English steelworkers really look forward to a Communist regime? If they do, it is up to the authorities to acknowledge the Party's loyalty to a foreign power, and protect the general interests of the nation.

Much as we value such rights as freedom of speech, of publication, thought and assembly, it has been found necessary in several civilised states to adopt precautions against Communist infiltration in government departments and vital industries. In Britain, however, it has not yet been thought necessary to treat members of the Communist Party ipso facto as traitors. Yet in view of recent shameless pronouncements, it would seem that a watertight case has been made out against them. Is it wise to wait until war or a similar emergency breaks out before starting to rope in the traitors—after they have been able to carry out their publicised plans of sabotage?

In countries behind the iron curtain one has only to voice views dissident with those of the regime to find oneself in concentration camp or facing the firing squad. Democracies do not want such horrors, but surely wise precautions can be taken? Certainly it is not easy to stamp out Communism, as it is not easy to stamp out any militant idea, but that is no excuse for letting rampant evil spread and organise at will.

These are no ordinary times, and it looks as if the future will be more extraordinary still. It is obvious that national security demands a tightening up of the laws on treason in peacetime. But even with present evidence, the authorities at home should decide to act. A Communist may stand on his head to see his weird conclusions in perspective, but to the balanced mind, when a man promises on behalf of



Formerly only the footsteps were visible in the New Territories. But yesterday came a muffled roar from Wanchai.

According to a contemporary, a "blond new" car is offered for sale, with economical fuel consumption. Two petrols please—no soda.

Just after Ipswich Town had scored the first goal in their cup tie with Aldershot, the match was postponed because of fog. The official verdict was, we understand, Ipswich 1: Visibility nil.

When the superintendent declared that the arrested man was obviously drugged, Myrtle's brother, who was the constable, admitted that he had drug him all the way in.

Recent official warnings in Canton that a quantity of worthless money was in circulation did not greatly disturb the citizenry. They had already noticed it.

A Chinese witness in a court case said he couldn't even read his own name on an envelope without his spectacles. It might just as well have been written in English.

A friend of mine just returned from London was discussing a former schoolmate of ours who had died in such glory that they'd put a plaque outside the building where he had lived, to perpetuate his memory. "Ah," said I, "I wonder if they'll do that for me when I die." "Why surely," said my friend, "What do you think they'll put on it?" And he replied, "Room to let."

According to the Soviet news agency, the elections in West Berlin are illegal because the ballots are not counted at the polling stations. And in addition, the wrong people are allowed to vote.

Answers to correspondents in an American paper: What'll you tell me how to kill an oak tree?

Answer: Cut it down and dig out the stump and roots.

Better jump on it two or three times, too.

Our film critic saw a most unusual Western the other day. The Indians won.



There just isn't the money around these days!

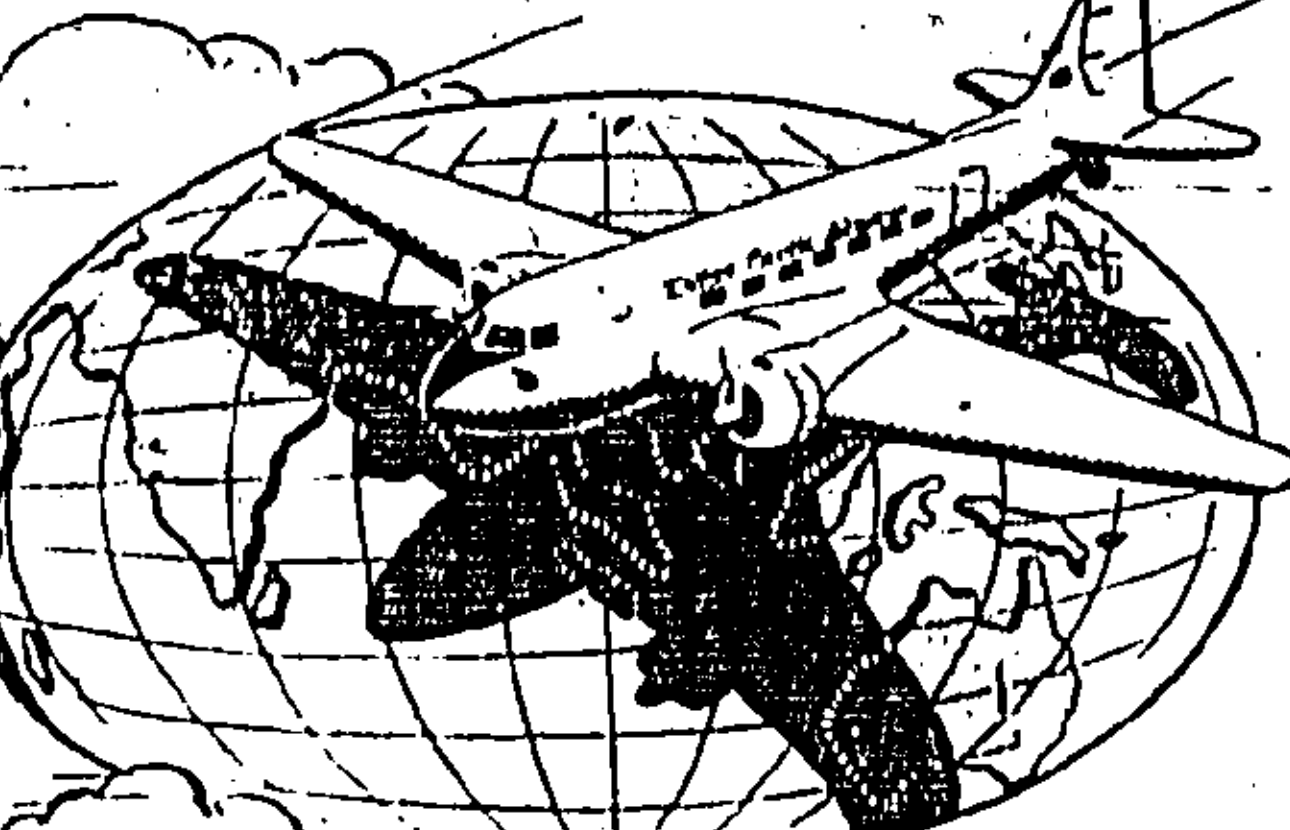
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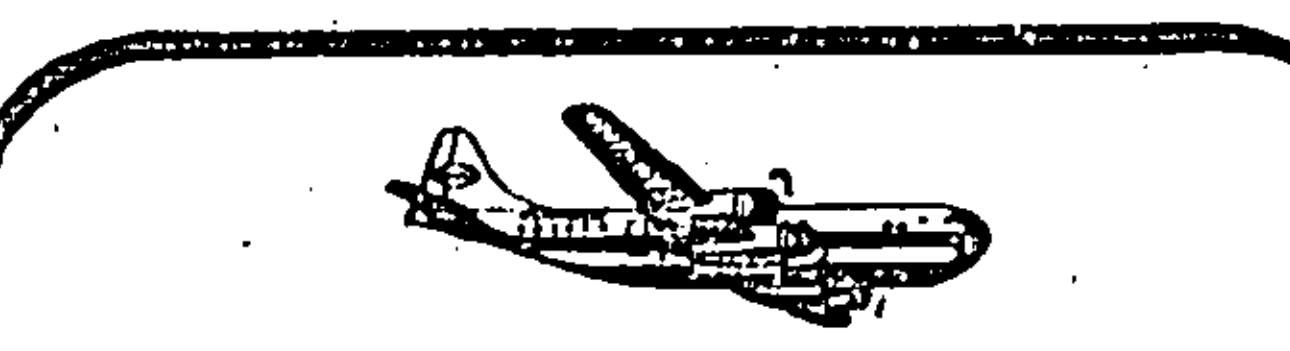
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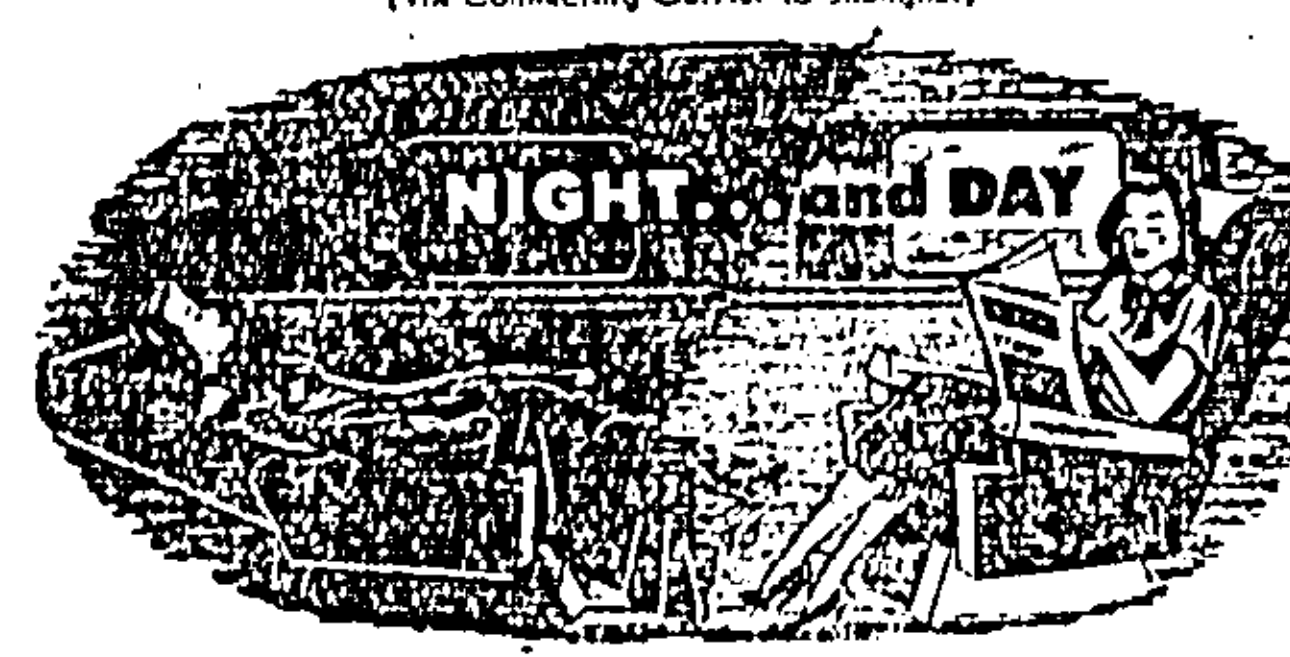
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London Reds Drop Leaflets

London, February 28.—Two men climbed to the roof of a building and showered leaflets down towards Princess Elizabeth and the Duke of Edinburgh when they arrived at the Ideal Home Exhibition in London today.

Some of the leaflets, Communist propaganda about the housing problem, fell within a few yards of the Princess. One of the men shouted: "Houses for all, not for the few, houses for the working people, and not for the rich." He was pulled back. The other man was arrested. He is a Communist. —Reuter.

Priests Tried In Hungary

Budapest, February 28.—The trial of 15 Hungarians charged with participating in Cardinal Mindszenty's self-confessed black market foreign currency deals opened here this morning at the Hungarian workers' court. They are accused of failing to declare and deposit foreign currency, currency speculation and smuggling foreign currency abroad.

The trial was opened in the same court building where Cardinal Mindszenty was tried two weeks ago. The small court room was crowded this morning but no special precautions were taken.

The presiding judge was M. Pal Birc, a professor, and there were four other judges, one woman, two from different factories. Three of the accused were stated to be priests.

The chief accused was Ilmorho, a Catholic priest alleged to have been the Cardinal's accomplice. Tivador Wyder, a banker, Dr. Gabor Horvath, secretary to Prince Paul Esterhazy (who was sentenced to 15 years' hard labour), and János Vid and János Varady, two Jesuits.

The first day's hearing was occupied by the reading of the indictment and statements by some of the accused. Boppe pleaded guilty, but said he had only carried out orders given to him by the Cardinal or by his secretary, Andrews Zakar.

Horvath, the second defendant, pleaded guilty, saying he took all the blame for the activities outlined in the indictment against him as he was the one who thought them up and carried them out. He said that the dollars and dollar cheques he bought from Tivador Wyder, a banker, came from Cardinal Mindszenty.

The third defendant, Nandor Vilyak, pleaded not guilty on the charge that he had sold dollars to Horvath after August 1, 1946.

Following Vilyak, the fourth and fifth accused, both Jesuits, pleaded guilty. Pastor Vid admitted he had failed to declare foreign currency in the possession of the Jesuits, of whose economic affairs he was in charge. He defended himself by saying that he had no economic or legal education and did not know he had committed currency abuses.

The other Jesuit, Brother Varady, admitted failure to report the dollars and napoleons given to him by M. Zsigmond Miholovics, a former director of the Catholic Action in Budapest, who fled from the country last summer.

He also admitted smuggling currency abroad. He thought the money was intended only for charitable purposes.

The trial will be resumed tomorrow morning. —Reuter.

WEST GERMANY INCLUDED Members From Refugee Countries To Vote

Brussels, February 28.

Plans for the setting up of a European Parliament, in which Western Germany would have a place and refugees from "behind the Iron Curtain" countries would be allowed to vote, were adopted here today by the International Council of the European Movement.

Support for this "declaration of principles," drawn up by a sub-committee, was unanimous. An amendment proposed by Lord Layton, a British Liberal Peer, that refugee members should have no vote was rejected.

The declaration recommends that members of a European Assembly should be chosen by the National Parliaments in such a way as to "secure the representation of all live forces in each country."

However, each National Parliament will be free to choose "only such delegates as undertake to give their loyalty and to build up the democratic institutions of a United Europe," the declaration said. Representatives of countries at present enjoying democratic Governments should total at least 300, and each delegation should include both Parliamentary and non-Parliamentary elements, it was proposed.

The Council recommended that the Parliamentary representation should reflect the party strength in the National Parliaments. The delegates should also include those belonging to countries "unable at present to pronounce themselves by democratic means."

The European Assembly, sitting for at least 45 days each year, must have the right to discuss any question of interest to the European community. There would be two or three sessions each year.

Basic Principles

The declaration added: "No State should be admitted into the European Union which does not accept the fundamental principles contained in the Charter of Human Rights or which does not declare itself willing and bound to ensure their application. "But the barrier which divides the free States from the other European nations cannot be accepted as permanent. Our aim is the union in freedom of all the peoples of Europe."

The declaration stated: "Western Germany and, as soon as possible, the whole of Germany, must be invited forthwith to become an integral part of this new community, in which the citizens of all the nations will have the same rights and the same duties."

The territories now dependent on other countries should be also actively helped to "evolve towards a regime of political freedom, permitting them to participate fully in the political, economic and social benefits of the European associations, according to the constitutional practices in each country."

The declaration urged close co-operation between the planners of economic policy for a United Europe and the existing Organisation for European Economic Co-operation set up in Paris under the Marshall Plan.

It called for "the integration of the heavy industries of Western Europe, for it is the necessary foundation of the economy of the Union as a whole."

"The Statute drawn up for the Ruhr by the four occupying powers 'should be used as a step towards the creation of common institutions for Western Europe,' the declaration added.

Strong Sees No Visitors

New York, February 28.—Miss Anna Louise Strong, pro-Russian American writer who was expelled from Russia as an alleged spy for the United States, is suffering from a complete physical nervous exhaustion, her attorney disclosed today.

He released a letter from Miss Strong's physician, describing her condition as serious. The letter said she was receiving fluids, sedatives and complete rest in bed.

"She must have no visitors for at least one week, possibly longer," said her counsel.

Miss Strong arrived in this country by plane last Thursday. She was questioned at length by agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the next day appeared as a witness before the Federal Grand Jury which is enquiring into Communist espionage. —United Press.

MacArthur's Views On Japan Wanted

Washington, February 28.

The columnist, Marquis Childs, today urged investigation of the occupation policy in Japan, and suggested that if General Douglas MacArthur "is critical of the United States policy in the Far East . . . it is important to get his views on record."

The columnist made the remarks in a discussion of the Japanese spy report, the mystery of which, he said, "far from being cleared up . . . grows deeper and darker. It is now in the stage of denials from all hands."

general who rules over 80,000,000 Japanese. He has been accused of setting up a satrapy and flouting his own policy which today, it is charged, aims at creating in Japan a base for making war on Russian Communism.

"The general has not visited continental United States since 1937. That is a very long time in terms of what has happened. If General MacArthur is critical of United States policy in the Far East, as has been reported, then it is important to get his views on record."

Childs continued: "At the same time, the United States position in Korea should be appraised. Many persons with experience there feel the token force in Korea is a waste of scarce military manpower for no useful end."

"For too long Japan and the Far East have been taken for granted. This is not fair to General MacArthur, who may well feel that circumstances and default of other authority have forced him to become a kind of uncrowned emperor."

"A propaganda campaign has now begun for more troops for Japan. If they are necessary let's have facts from the proper sources. A good long look at what is happening in Japan and particularly in relation to the tragedy of China is way overdue." —United Press.

Control Of U.S. Chiefs Of Staff

Washington February 28.

The United States Military Chiefs of Staff—described as "virtually a law unto themselves"—should be brought "under strong civilian control," the Hoover Commission on Government Reorganization urged today.

Strong criticism of the freedom enjoyed by United States military chiefs was voiced by this 12-man bipartisan Commission, headed by ex-President Herbert Hoover. There was "continued disharmony and lack of planning" in the new "unified" Defence Departments, the Commission declared.

The Commission warned of "extravagance and waste" which, it said, could seriously damage the United States economy. The Commission strongly criticised the way the Joint Chiefs of Staff were set up and suggested the appointment of a chairman to control them.

"Though the Secretary of Defence is the principle assistant to the President in military matters, we cannot, as a practical measure, maintain effective civilian control over this most powerful of military units," it declared.

This "divided" responsibility and allegiance are tantamount to an almost complete absence of control," the Commission said. That in view of the present outlook in the world, the United States need for a strong military establishment was obvious. It emphasized the need for immediate action on "the emergency plans for civilian and industrial mobilization," civilian defence plans and "defences against unconventional methods of warfare." —Reuter.

Hoffman Testifies On Aid To Britain

Washington, February 28.

Mr. Paul G. Hoffman, the Marshall Aid Administrator, claimed today that Mr. Christopher Mayhew, the British Under-Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, had been "hoodlacked by the Russians" into saying that Britain had already achieved recovery.

He characterised both this and yesterday's statement by Mr. Hector McNeill, that Mr. Mayhew had been "telling the truth," as "almost purely political."

Mr. Hoffman, "embarrassed and distressed" by the Mayhew affair, appeared before the Senate Foreign Relations Committee today to save the British allocation under the second year of the Marshall aid. The general opinion here is that he may have succeeded.

The Committee had called in Mr. Hoffman and a group of advisers to justify Britain's share of the US\$5,580,000,000 to be allocated to the European Recovery Programme in its second year.

Mr. Hoffman said that any reduction in Britain's allocation would adversely affect continued recovery in both the United States and Western Europe. "We are convinced that the salvation of Western Europe depends upon the joint economic effort of all the participants and can only be achieved by mutual aid and closer economic co-operation."

Serious Effect

"Any setback to a country so important as Britain would be bound to have the most serious consequences."

He told the Committee that no cut could be made in the aid to Britain, despite the statement of Mr. Mayhew that Britain had "virtually achieved recovery." It remains to be seen what effect the British statements will have on the full Senate debate in the new few weeks.

On Saturday, Mr. McNeill, Minister of State, speaking in Scotland, said Mr. Mayhew had "blurted out the truth at the wrong moment." The same evening, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Sir Stafford Cripps, issued a statement that Britain's recovery was not complete and depended on continued American aid.

Mr. Hoffman told the Committee: "A cut cannot be made. This present situation is a very distressing one for us. To put it mildly, these speeches have proved very embarrassing to us. But I can say that, if there should be any slowing down of British recovery, I can think of nothing that would be more disastrous to the whole Recovery Programme."

Britain's proposed allocation is US\$940,000,000 in new aid. Mr. Hoffman told the Committee that it was "a tight fit"—the absolute minimum needed. He said the question of cutting the British programme by at least US\$200,000,000 had been explored.

In addition to the adverse effect this would have on the British economy, Mr. Hoffman said it might cut into the United States exports of cotton, food, tobacco and industrial goods. It would mean that Britain would have to do much less to spend in the United States, Canada and other markets, where goods

Strength Of Far East Air Force

Washington, February 28.

An Air Force spokesman said today that the Air Force now has 14 groups in the Far East of which nine have their headquarters in Japan.

The Air Force's worldwide strength at present is 59 groups but the current defence budget provides funds for only 48, wherefore the Air Force must eliminate 11 groups.

The announcement of the 1950 fiscal year dispositions is keenly awaited, however, there are no indications at present when it will be made. The spokesman said it could be made "anytime between now and July 1," which is the beginning of the next fiscal year.

An Air Force group averages 1,500 men. However, that figure is highly flexible and the actual numbers in the Far East are secret. —United Press.

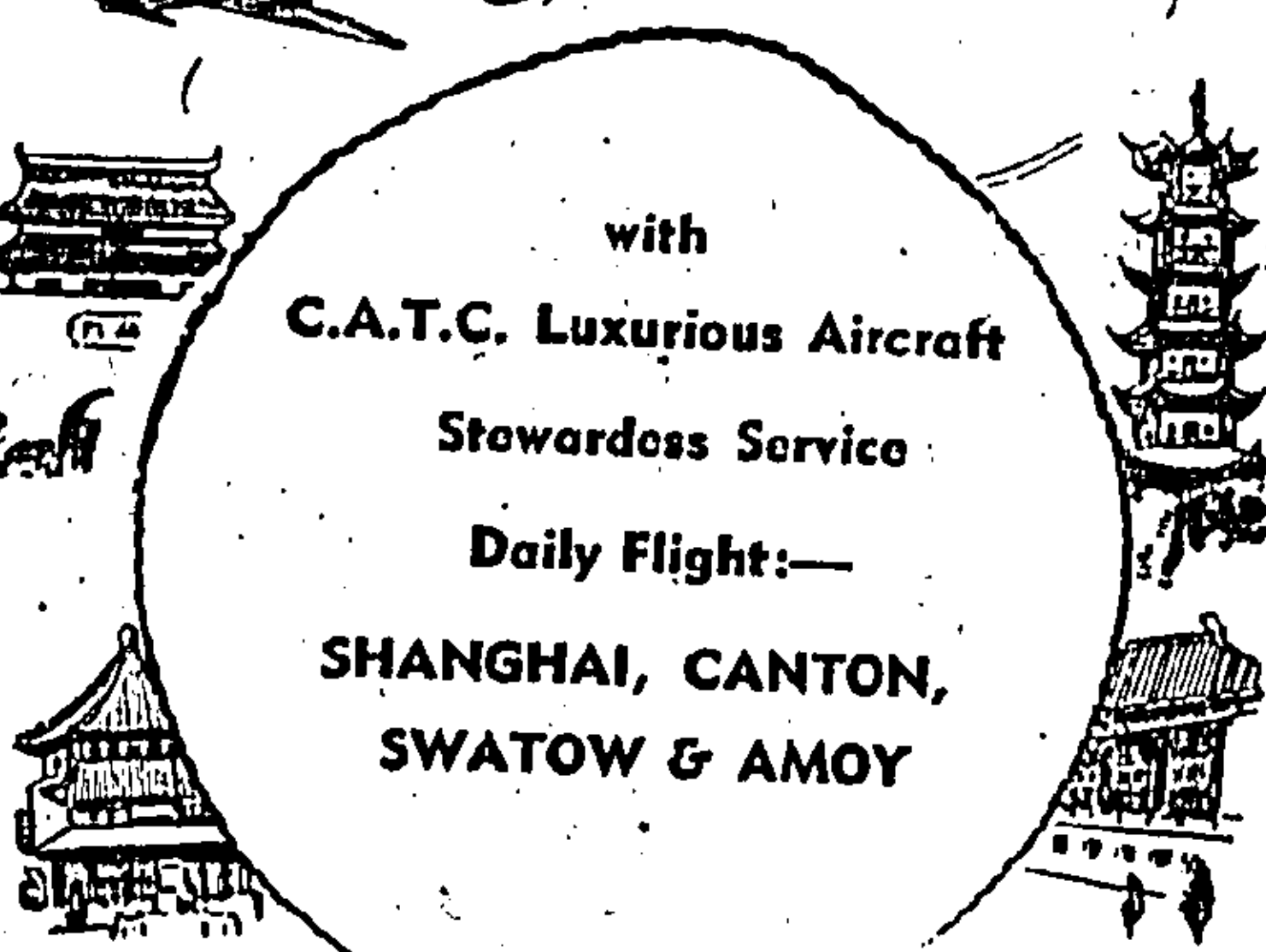
MID-FEBRUARY COMMODITY PRICES

Washington, February 28.—Mid-February parity prices were: cotton 30.38, wool 44.8 cents a pound, wheat 21.7, maize 15.7, linseed 41.4 cts a bushel. Mid-January were: 30.75, 45.4, 21.0, 15.0, and 41.0. Mid-February last year were all the same as mid-January. —Reuter.

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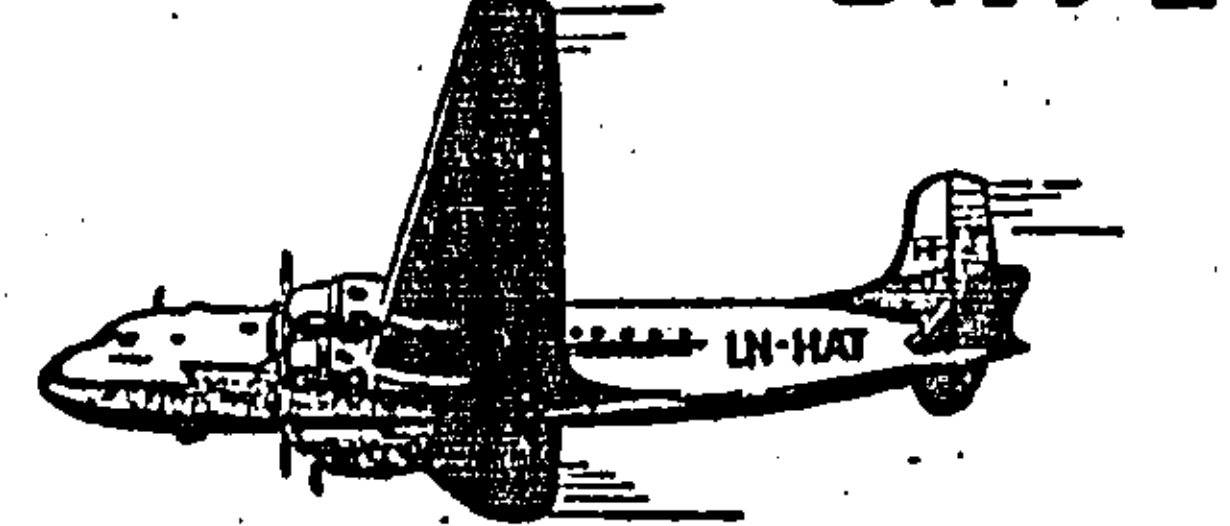
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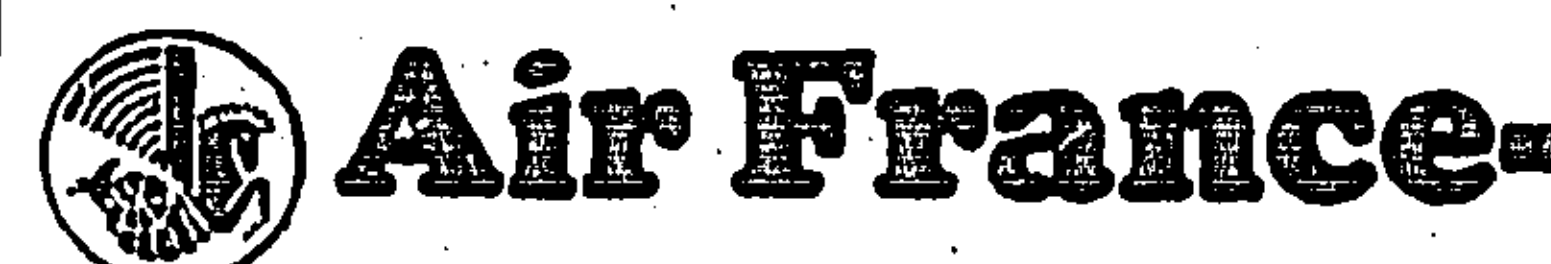
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PARIS MILLINERS INTRODUCE NOVEL SPRING DESIGNS



Paris millinery salons this week are blooming with an amazing range of spring models. They show everything from cloches and helmets to berets and salons. These sketches offer widely diverse designs. Top: A toque in white plique carrying an enormous bow of navy blue chiffon. Right: This sailor hat of white straw is decorated with black ribbon and birds in black lacquer.

By EDNA McKENNA

WINTER still hangs round the Paris boulevards, but this week every milliner's salon blooms with varied coloured hats from the new spring collection.

Hair-bob hats

This year will be a hat year, say the fashion moguls. Hats so enormous that the wearer will find it difficult to carry it all, and hats so tiny that they just cling to the head.

All have one thing in common—they hug the head so tightly that only closely bobbed hair can go underneath. Most of them have a definite sideways movement.

Jean Dessea breaks right away from tradition and makes drawing berets rather like mop caps in black patent leather, and also she lines wide-brimmed honey-coloured straws with patent leather. These hats are worn with patent leather. These hats are worn with patent leather. These hats are worn with patent leather.

Schlaparelli has fun with her hats. Many are skul caps eggshell in shape, with part of the crown cut out. Through these crowns the hair is poked slightly. She also has helmets in straw and hats that look exactly like roofs of native huts.

Molyneux likes small hats, with turned-back brims that start well over the left ear and face—nothing on the right. They all have conical crowns and look like clowns' hats.

Simone Camps has an evening hat of gold that costs over £2,000, and many of her other hats resemble great flowers.

New combinations of materials are used in many of these hats. Straw and felt, chiffon and straw, and plique and straw are the most popular.

Take Care Of Your Hair

BY CLAUDIA

A sub-tropical climate always adds to the problems of beauty care, and to the hair, it is perhaps most unkind of all. Almost all of us, either at odd times or with annoying frequency, find that the hair becomes dry and unmanageable or brittle and lifeless.

Dandruff is an all too common condition and even the most expensive "perms" are likely to be disappointingly fleeting. And all because the hair is out of condition.

Fortunately for us, there has been quite a revolution in the accepted methods of hair care. It is realised that the hair needs to be stimulated and nourished as well as kept clean.

First of all, many of the leading experts recommend much more frequent washing. They condemn the old idea that the hair suffers from being shampooed more often than once in 10 days or fortnight.

It can suffer only from the use of unsuitable shampoo.

Once A Week

We are advised to wash our hair once or twice a week at least, and even more often in the summer, when sea water and salt should be removed as quickly as possible.

The outstanding achievement of research into their preparations are the soapless shampoos, which cleanse the hair far more efficiently and twice as quickly as soap. Soap, no matter how diligently we rinse, is apt to leave a film on the hair... a main cause of dryness and dandruff.

Modern treatment for dandruff is to massage the scalp each day with an antiseptic lotion. Shampoo with a soapless preparation, working vigorously into the scalp to loosen the particles of scurf. After shampooing, watch out for the first sign of dandruff recurring... and wash again immediately. If the dandruff reappears three days after washing, that means you must shampoo every three days. But the dandruff will be cured very quickly.

Use Of Oils

Next in importance is the use of oils. We do not use nearly enough of the nourishing oils which feed the scalp tissue, the hair cells and lubricate the hair itself. Although we are well versed in the needs of nourishing creams for the face, etc., the hair has been sadly neglected in this respect.

So we are advised to use oil at least once a week and more often during the hot weather when the

hair becomes dry and bleached by the sun. Olive oil and almond oil are highly recommended, but castor oil, which is heavier, may be used on hair which is thin and straggly.

The oil should be warmed, then massaged into the scalp along consecutive partings to ensure that every inch of the head is covered. It should be left on as long as possible before shampooing... overnight, if possible. It should be regarded as an essential preliminary to each and every shampoo.

Hair tonics and frictions are intended to keep the scalp in healthy tone, not to give nourishment. They stimulate the circulation and brace the pores, keeping the skin fresh and vital. These can be used every day, for they are mostly spirituous and quickly evaporate after doing their work.

Final Dressing

Brilliantine is merely a final dressing, applied sparingly to lend an extra sheen to the hair. It cannot be said to do the work of oils or tonics, which are applied on to the scalp itself.

The fashion for shorter coiffures is most helpful when the hair has become brittle and splitting at the ends. Have it cut short and arranged in one of the wide range of popular short-hair styles.

Then give it an intensive course of oil and tonic treatment, with frequent soapless shampoos. Add a daily five minutes of steady brushing and, in a month or two, it will be in really first class condition again.

Oily, greasy hair is just as much due to poor condition of the scalp, and the same treatment, with a little less oil, and more use of friction tonics, will bring about the same result.

Clever Accessories

By ROSE ROLLAND

It is noticeable that for ordinary everyday wear, women in Britain prefer a coat or suit which allows her to wear distinctive accessories. In other words, the coat or the suit must be simple and as well cut as her purse can afford, and although she likes the newest fashion trends her garments must not be conspicuous.

Take, for instance, the girl I saw walking away from the Franklin Roosevelt statue. Her coat and suit for all-the-year-round wear is in fine gun-metal coloured gaberdine, a material gaining in popularity because of its hard wearing qualities and light weight. The coat has softly moulded shoulders and accented waist, a skirt full without being exaggerated, and flap pockets with buttons from lapel-points nearly to the hem of the skirt.

Again, the slim lines of Simon Massey's red coat, made gay by its gold-coloured buttons, are what the average English business girl will be happiest in, although she may have others in her wardrobe. The two-piece composed of dress and jacket would be a good outfit for the busy woman. As a result it can be worn in the country without looking out of place, as well as in town for almost every

ACHIEVEMENT IN LEATHER

By John Creek

Britain's leather industry has a firmly established and active research association which carries out investigations and experiments; some give quick results—more often they take many years to prove their worth.

Visitors to the British Industries Fair, which will be held at Earls Court and Olympia, London, and Castle Bromwich, Birmingham, from May 2 to May 13, will see (in the Earls Court section) many examples of the leather workers' art whose production has profited by work done by this research association.

Britain is proud of her leather. She is proud of the care taken in the selection of each hide or skin for its ultimate use, the judicious variation of treatment as it passes through every stage of production, and its complete fitness for the work it has to do when it leaves the tannery.

The past year has shown great strides in the footwear industry. It has often been said that British shoes are the best in the world for quality and comfort. Brogues, walking shoes and classic town shoes from Britain have been, and are, the best that can be bought in the world.

At recent London fashion shows it has been apparent that the United Kingdom shoes designer has reached a standard at least as high as any other in the world. At the 1949 British Industries Fair shoes will be shown which will prove that quality and comfort can be united with high fashion without sacrifice—and that Britain is making them.

Fine Children's Shoes

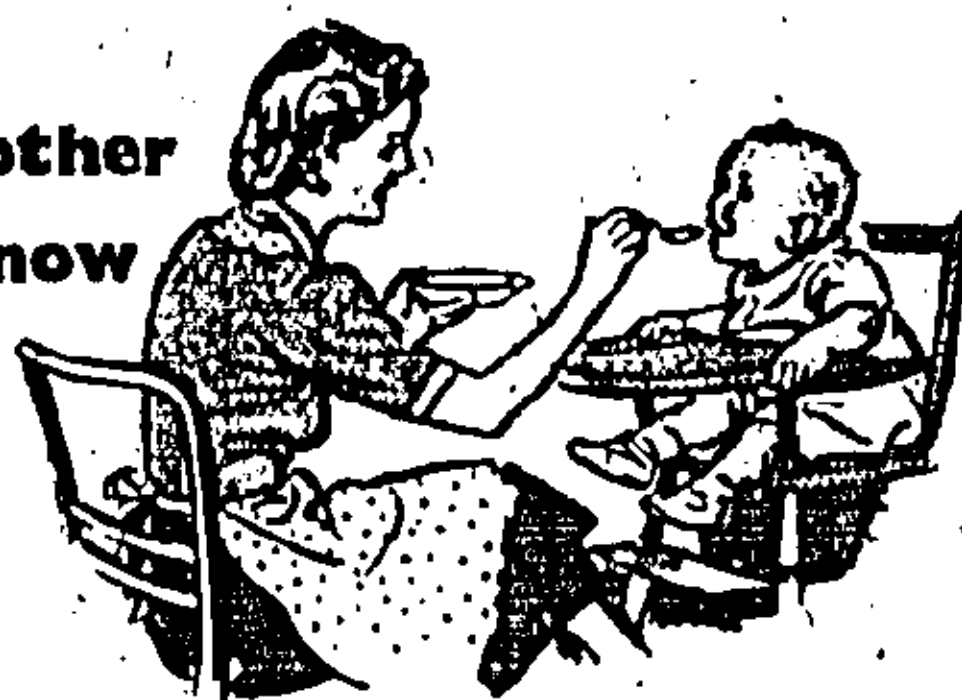
Children's shoes from Britain have always been much sought after all over the world. Extensive orthopaedic research has been carried out during the past year by makers of children's shoes, and models constructed on the basis of results from this most recent survey of children's feet, and made of only the best and softest leathers, will be at the Fair in May.

Handbags and gloves are no longer merely necessities; clothes are no longer worn merely for warmth. Day bags in dainty designs executed in calf, soft suedes or rich crocodile, jewelled and luxurious models for evening, delicately tinted gloves in kid, cane sued and doekin—these are important accessories in the fashion-conscious life of today.

Luggage, too, shows perfect coordination of quality and design. Suites of air luggage in sophisticated colours have locks which work with the ease and precision of the pilot's instruments; they close so flush that the air rights as it escapes. Fitted ward-robe cases will be exhibited which are designed for use on long journeys. Hanging and folding devices are designed to pack clothes without creasing, and any place can be packed for a short stop on the journey, leaving the rest undisturbed.

occasion except where really formal clothes are needed. With all these clothes the choice of hat, shoes, gloves and handbag is important since, owing to the simplicity of the clothes themselves, the eye is attracted to accessories.

What mother should know about Weaning



When to wean

If Baby seems persistently hungry and dissatisfied on the normal breast or bottle feeds, and yet you are confident that the feeds are adequate for age and weight, then Baby is perhaps beginning to need small amounts of a suitable solid food. This may occur at about 4-5 months, or even earlier, with very progressive babies.

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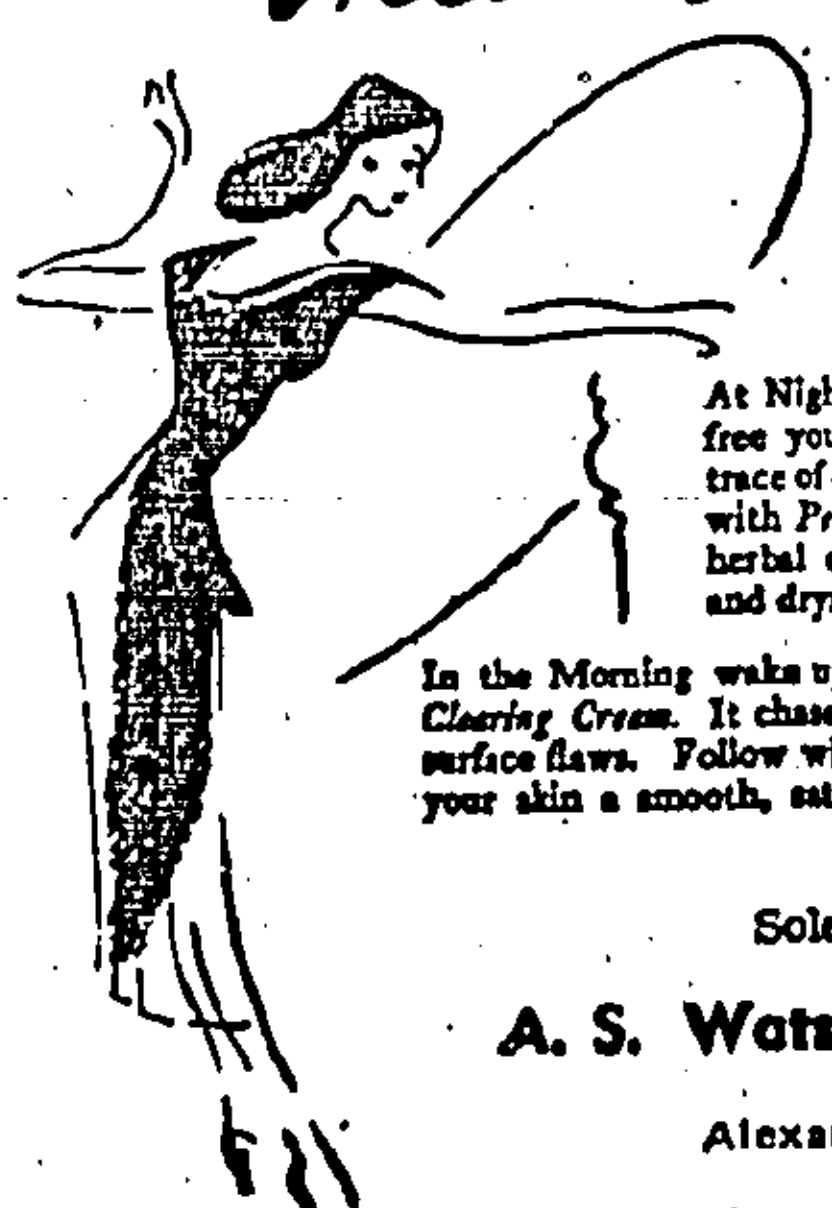
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DUTCH AWAIT REPLY FROM INDONESIANS

Dutch Invitation Rejected

Batavia, February 28. The Indonesian Republicans have rejected the Netherlands' invitation to attend a round-table conference on the Indonesian problem at the Hague on March 12.

At the same time, they charged the Dutch with failure to comply with the United Nations' security resolution on Indonesia.

The Dutch refusal came from the island of Banka, where the Republican leaders have been held in "protective" custody by the Dutch colonial officials since December.

Dr. Mohammed Rumi, chairman of the Republican delegation, called Batavia. "Our government will never take part in any action evading implementation of the Security Council's resolution."

Neutral sources in Batavia, including United Nations representatives, immediately indicated that the Republican refusal spelled doom to the Hague conference aimed at Indonesian sovereignty.

Yesterday, Indonesian federalist leaders hailed the Netherlands' conference proposal and warmly promised co-operation in sovereignty discussions. However, observers said, the Republican rejection dished cold water on Dutch hopes for settlement of the Indonesian question outside the United Nations.

Exiled Republicans condemned Dutch inaction on the Security Council's resolution calling on the Netherlands to form an interim government, including the Republican leaders—by March 15. The United Nations Indonesian Commission already has indicated that it will report the whole matter back to the Security Council tomorrow (Tuesday), the deadline for Netherlands acceptance.

The Republicans said the Hague's round-table proposal was an "expression of the Netherlands' denial of the legality of the Security Council's intervention and substitutes a different proposal on their own authority."

Replies For Proposed Pact

Washington, February 28. The replies from the Western European Governments to the latest proposed draft of the North Atlantic Pact began to arrive at the Washington Embassies here today.

If all the replies are received in time, Ambassadors propose to hold a further meeting with the Secretary of State, Mr. Dean Acheson, tonight. Norway's representative may join in the discussions before the pact is finally completed and signed.

Officials would not say whether a decision by Denmark to participate could be made in time for her to join in the negotiations before its signature.

American press despatches from Copenhagen today quoted high diplomatic sources in Sweden as predicting that Sweden would join the treaty within six months, and "possibly sooner if the Russians make any move toward Finland."

It was not expected in Washington, however, that Sweden would join the present discussions as Swedish spokesmen have repeatedly emphasized her wish to remain neutral.—Reuter.

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Meeting Called To Form Union

Batavia, February 28.

The Indonesian Republican leaders have not yet decided whether they will accept the Dutch Government's invitation to a round-table conference on Indonesia in The Hague on March 12. Their reply may, however, be available tomorrow evening in time for inclusion in the United Nations Indonesia Commission's report to the Security Council.

The Netherlands Government called the conference to speed up the establishment of a Netherlands-Indonesian Union, with a representative Government, originally planned for July, 1950.

An aircraft of the United Nations Commission will take tomorrow the members of the Republican delegation here to Banka Island, off Sumatra, where the Indonesian President, Dr. I. I. Soekarno, and the Prime Minister, Dr. Mohammed Hatta, are still residing.

The Contact Committee of the Conference of Federalist leaders is to travel to Banka Island independently tomorrow. Both groups are expected to return to Batavia tomorrow evening.

The Federalists were meeting here today to discuss the Dutch invitation to the conference. According to a Hague source, it was believed the Indonesian Federalist Convention had already unanimously decided to accept the invitation.

Meanwhile, Dr. Mohammed Rumi, the chairman of the Republican peace talks delegation, today called the Chairman of the United Nations Commission on Indonesia that his Government would "never co-operate in any action evading the implementation of the Security Council's resolution."

He was stating the Republican attitude towards the Dutch proposals for a round-table conference at The Hague on March 12, and said: "This new move of the Netherlands, as so often before, gives expression to their denial of the legality of the Security Council's intervention and substitutes a different proposal on their own authority."

Dr. Roem said the Netherlands official who delivered the Dutch invitation to President Soekarno "made it perfectly clear" verbally that on no account would the Netherlands Government restore the Republican Government to power "over any part of its territory."

The official explained that, contrary to his Government's statement on the abrogation of the remaining restrictions concerning the liberty of movement of the Republican leaders released on Saturday, "we shall in no case be allowed to return to Jakarta (the Republican capital)," Dr. Roem said.

In New York, the Indonesian delegate to the Security Council, Dr. L. N. Palar, said today he did not expect his Government to accept the Netherlands' plan for Indonesia to agree to participate in any conference such as the Dutch have outlined.

Own Proposals

"We may expect, however, that the Republic of Indonesia will present its own proposals for a solution, based on the realities of the present situation in Indonesia and in South East Asia," he told a New York press conference.

Dr. Palar said the Dutch statement on Indonesia constituted "a

Shoots Wife, Buries Child

Fairfax, Virginia, February 28.

A Jewellery clerk today confessed, according to the police, that he shot his wife three times and buried her in a nudist camp, then entered his infant daughter alive when his gun jammed.

Charles Holober, 40, was arrested on a murder warrant outside his home in Washington, D.C., several hours after searchers came upon a shallow grave. For a while, he himself had aided the searching party.

Holober told the police he and his wife, who was expecting a second child, had quarrelled constantly since their marriage in December 1947.

The victims were Mrs. Frances Holober, aged 37, and her eight-month-old daughter, June. They had been missing since Friday. Their bodies were found in an improvised grave late yesterday as searchers were about to call off the hunt because of darkness.

The police said Holober told them he took his wife and child for a ride last Tuesday. They drove to a nudist camp, some 20 miles from Washington where Holober was a member. The camp was closed for the winter.

Holober said he shot his wife three times in the neck with a German Luger. He then turned the gun on the child, but the weapon would not fire. So he grabbed the tot and threw her into the grave at her mother's feet and tossed some loose dirt over her.

Holober's body was found lying on its back. The baby's tiny fists were clutching bits of dirt as if she had tried to claw her way out.—United Press.

Dutch Set Date For Election

Ottawa, February 28.

Next October 1 is the date set by the Netherlands Government for the holding of free elections throughout the whole of Indonesia, providing the proposed Indonesian conference in the Hague on March 12 is successful. This was announced by the Netherlands Ambassador in Ottawa, Dr. Van Roijen, at a press conference given before news was received that the Indonesians had rejected the Dutch round-table proposal.

Dr. van Roijen said the trouble in Indonesia was with one-third of the total population—the Republicans—while the remaining two-thirds, the Federalists, were willing to co-operate with the Netherlands Government in establishing Indonesian independence and sovereignty.

He said the Netherlands wanted to leave behind it an orderly, stable government and a Federal State in partnership with the Netherlands and would grant the Indonesians, if they wished, the title of "Republic of the United States of Indonesia" providing it was confirmed by free election.

"My government hopes all concerned will attend the Hague conference and to this end we have liberated the Republican leaders and invited them to attend," added the Ambassador. "We want to see a free, independent Indonesia and as a member of the United Nations."—United Press.

Atlantic Pact Talks Resumed

Washington, February 28.

A United States official today said that at the next meeting of the Secretary of State, Mr. Dean Acheson, with Western European Ambassadors on the Atlantic Pact, it was likely Mr. Acheson would decide if the draft could be officially sent by the State Department to the Senate Foreign Committee before the end of the week.

He said Mr. Acheson would probably meet the Ambassadors tomorrow.

The official also said that after the pact had gone to the Senate Committee, then the arms aid bill probably would follow in about two weeks, but would go to the House Foreign Committee as a result of Representative Sol Bloom's request to have it focus interest in the House of Representatives on this important measure.

He said appropriations in the bill for arms for Western Europe was still likely to be around \$1,200,000,000, including about \$200,000,000 for munitions factories.

A Norwegian official said that, following the starting debate on the pact tomorrow, it was expected the Government would send an official request before the end of the week to join the pact.

Since the departure of the Norwegian Foreign Minister, Mr. Halvard Lange, the Embassy has been kept informed by the State Department of progress on the pact.

A Danish Embassy spokesman said Parliamentary processes in Denmark probably would continue for some time before a decision was reached whether to join. He said negotiations on Greenland might be speeded should Denmark agree to join the pact, but he categorically denied a report in a news magazine, appearing today, that the United States could buy Greenland for \$150,000,000,000.

He said Greenland was not for sale, and that the overwhelming majority of the Danish people would strongly oppose selling it.—United Press.

Republic Plans Presentation Of Own Proposals

New York, February 28.

The Indonesian Republican delegate to the UN Security Council, Mr. L. N. Palar, predicted today that the Republic, after rejecting the Dutch invitation to a round-table conference at the Hague, would "present to the United Nations its own proposals for a solution based on the realities of the present situation in Indonesia and South East Asia."

Mr. Palar told the press that the Dutch call for conference was "clear rejection and outright defiance of the Security Council's three resolutions, adopted since the Dutch launched their attack on the Republic on December 18."

He said the United Nations was "bound to act on Dutch non-compliance" before March 12, but if the Council took no action, the nations represented at the recent New Delhi conference were "sure to come to our assistance."

Mr. Palar told the press the Dutch statement of policy was designed to avoid:

1. Restoring the Republic of Indonesia.
2. Negotiating with the Republic as a party in a dispute before the Security Council.
3. Withdrawing Dutch troops.

All these were called for by the Security Council resolutions, Mr. Palar added.

"In the Dutch plan, final authority would rest with the Dutch. The Dutch statement claims that sovereignty will be accorded to the United States of Indonesia. However, the Netherlands Ambassador to the United States has already pointed out that in these round-table discussions the Netherlands Government will be bound by limitations of the recent amendment to the Dutch constitution, which was formulated by an all-Dutch commission and which does not give a single guarantee of sovereignty for the United States of Indonesia."

"Part of the Dutch statement of policy was designed to give a seemingly justifiable reason for other nations to acquiesce in the Netherlands' non-compliance with Council resolutions and base their stand on the Dutch proposals. This point is the announced acceleration of the transfer of sovereignty to the United States of Indonesia."

"In reality, the Dutch plan does not give a foundation for reaching any solution at all, much less acceleration of one aspect. All issues which have existed between the Republic and the Netherlands and which have twice led the Dutch to resort to military action will arise again."—United Press.

Decrease In China's UK Imports

London, February 28.

China's import from Britain show a heavy decrease in value in January as compared with last year in all commodities except chemicals, according to Board of Trade returns for January just issued.

The figures for chemical imports to China for January, 1947, 1948 and 1949 in pounds sterling are 289,187, 60,379, 130,208.

China's exports in the same month to Britain have declined in value compared with last January in the case of the most important exports, raw silk, seeds and nuts for oil and miscellaneous raw materials. There has, however, been an increase in the exports of dairy produce as compared with last January.

Hong Kong imports from Britain during January, 1949, show a general increase over figures for the same month last year. Out of some 20 items listed there has been a drop in value compared with last January's figures in four alone. They are beverages, miscellaneous goods, tobacco and apparel. The most striking increases are in machinery, non-ferrous metals, iron and steel and electrical goods.

"As regards the value of exports to Britain from Hong Kong during the month, seeds and nuts for oil and miscellaneous raw material show a decrease in January, 1949 compared with the same month last year. On the other hand, footwear and chemicals show an increase over last January's figures."

U.S. RELIEF FOR PALESTINE

Washington, February 28.

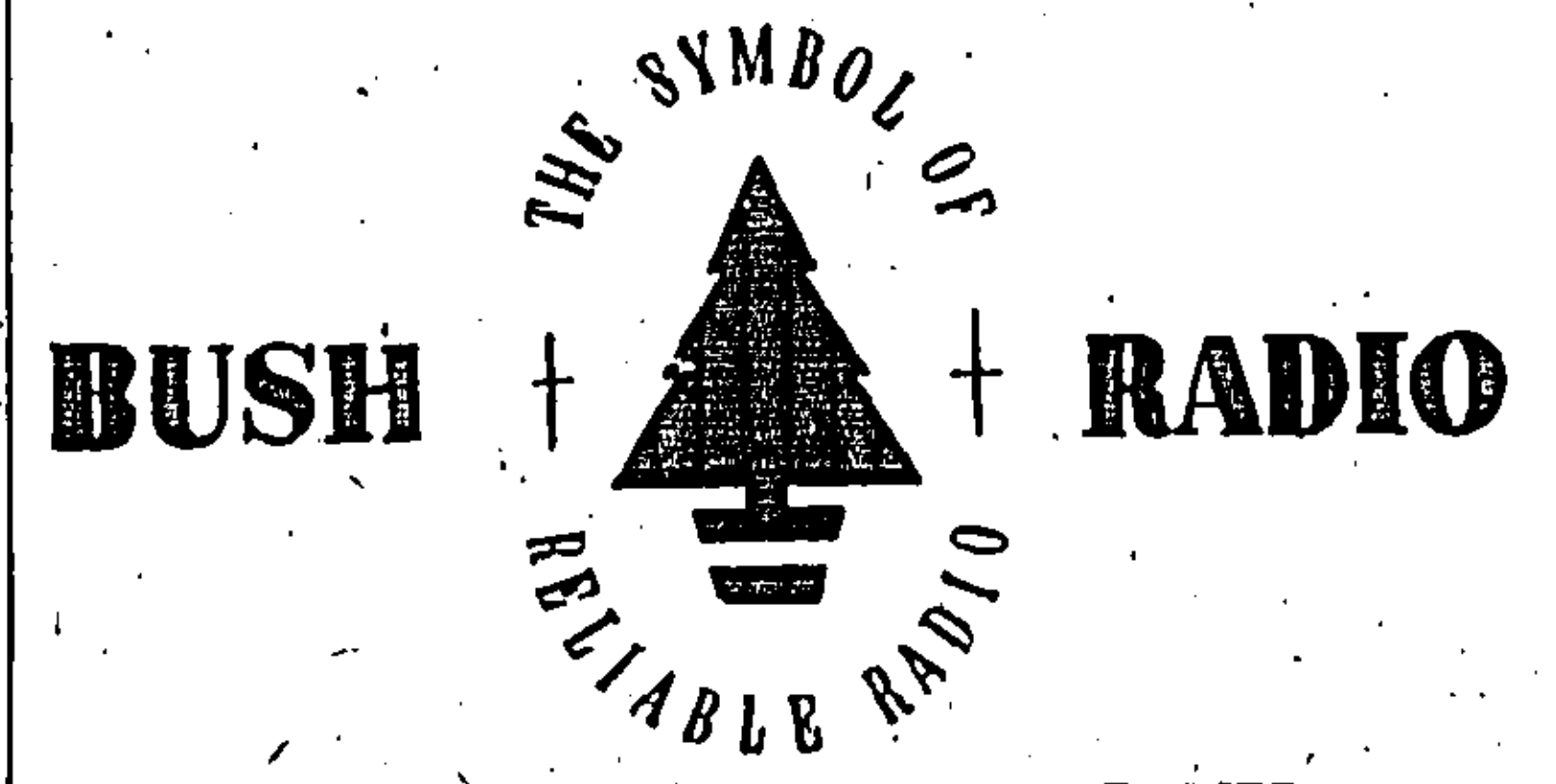
The United States House of Representatives Foreign Affairs Committee today approved legislation to provide \$10,000,000 for the relief of Palestine war refugees. About 600,000 Arab and Jewish victims of the Palestine fighting were reported to be in need of medical supplies, food, shelter and clothing.

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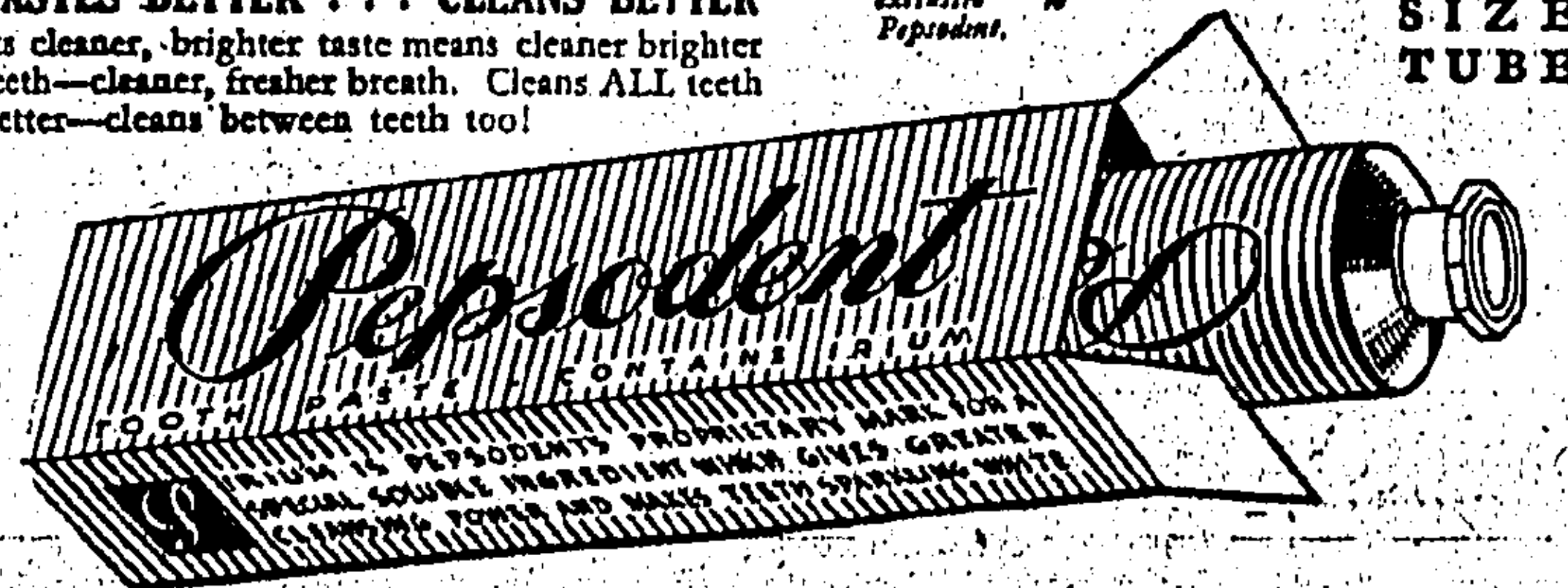
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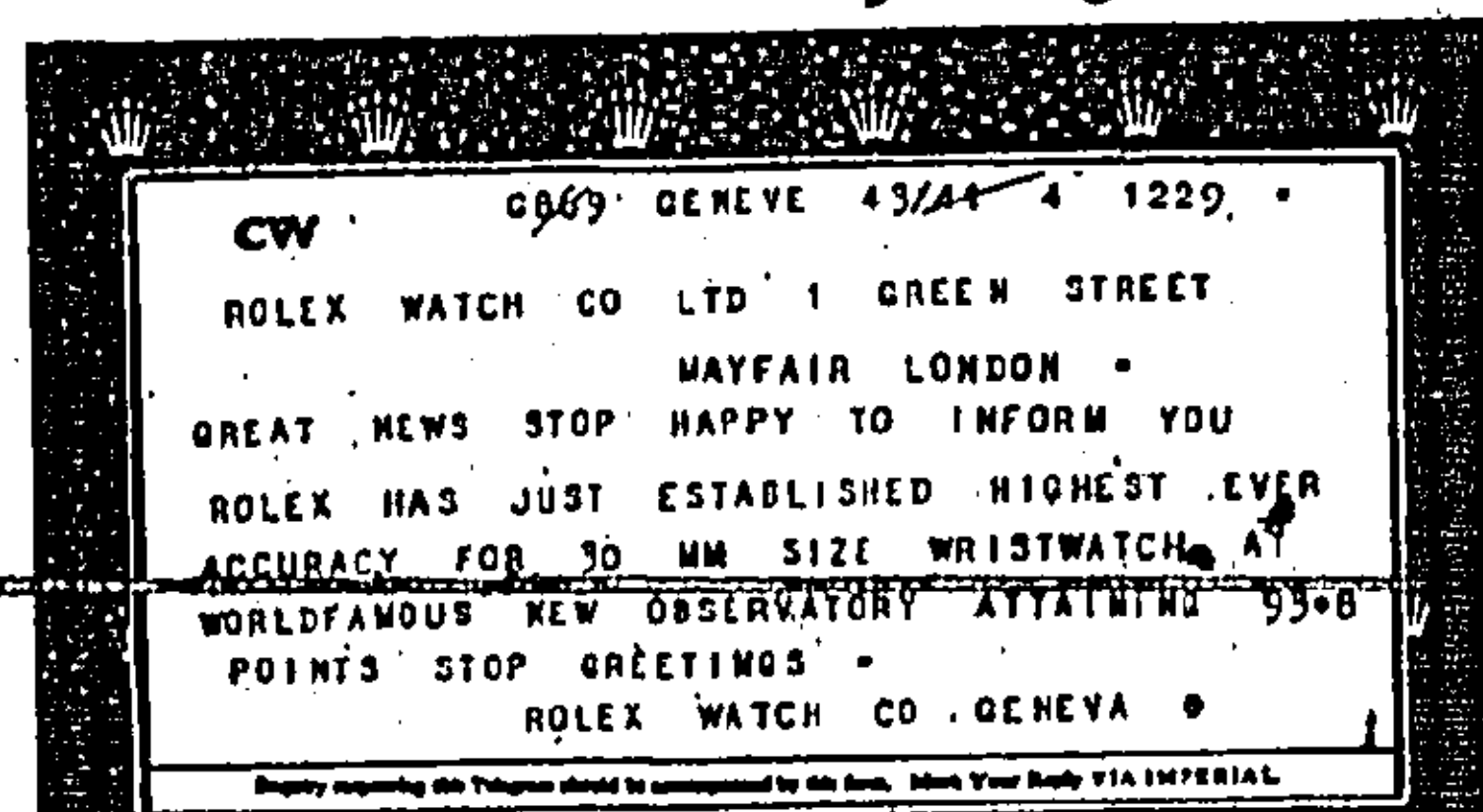
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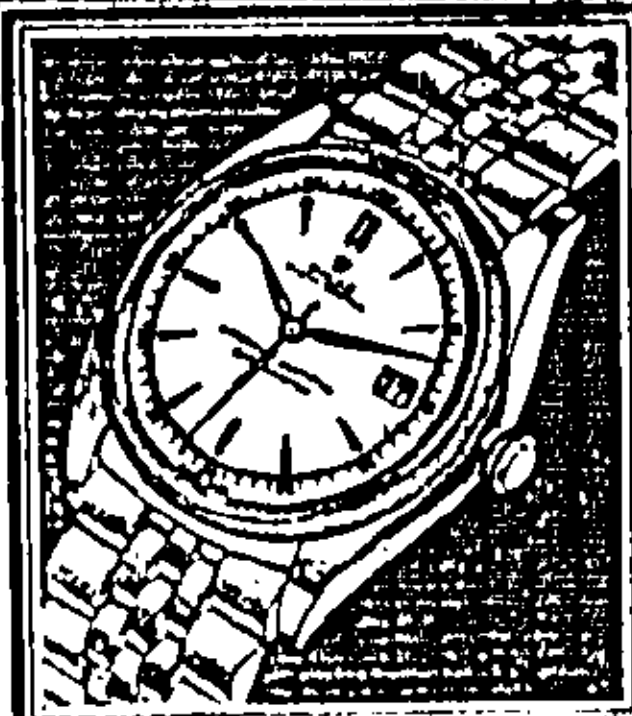


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The Treasurer's Comptroller Office will close at 11 a.m. and the Secretary's Office at 11.45 a.m. Both Offices at 1st Floor, Exchange Building.

A limited number of tickets will be obtainable at the Club House provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Boy (Tel. 27818).

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Refreshments will be obtainable in the Restaurant in the Public Enclosure.

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TEEN AGE TOPICS

Chinese Chow At Teen's Sunday Night-Stand

An all-round grand teen agers' social claimed the last six hours of Sunday night when more than 50 guests gathered together for chow and jive.

Host on the occasion was Rene Ozorio who offered the hospitality of his home at Jordan Road and practically single-handedly ran the show.

The evening began at six o'clock when the flock met at a Kowloon restaurant for a "Chop sticks and bowl" session. They had the whole shop to themselves and that was when the fun began.

After filling themselves, the crowd trooped merrily to Rene's where inviting music from a gram, supplied by Frankie Van, welcomed them.

The dance music programme was neatly arranged to suit the varied tastes of the teen agers. There was an equal distribution of waltzes, tangos, rumbas and sambas.

Jiving was spirited but also very tiring as was proved soon when the kids began requesting slow, dreamy, fox trots, which became the most popular numbers for the dance evening.

Novelty dances were restricted to three kinds, the Paul Jones, tap dances, and spot dances.

Prizes were awarded to the winners of the spot dance. The lucky couple turned "bedroom" when they were handed their awards: each a pair of blue bobby socks. But finally they both joined in the merry laughter of the crowd.

The evening was featured with songs and entertainment by Alberto da Rosa.

Alberto sang "Civilisation" and treated the gathering with some acting turns. His efforts were extravagantly received by his fellow teen agers who greeted him with prolonged cheers and applause.

The singing, dancing, kidding and wifing went on until the

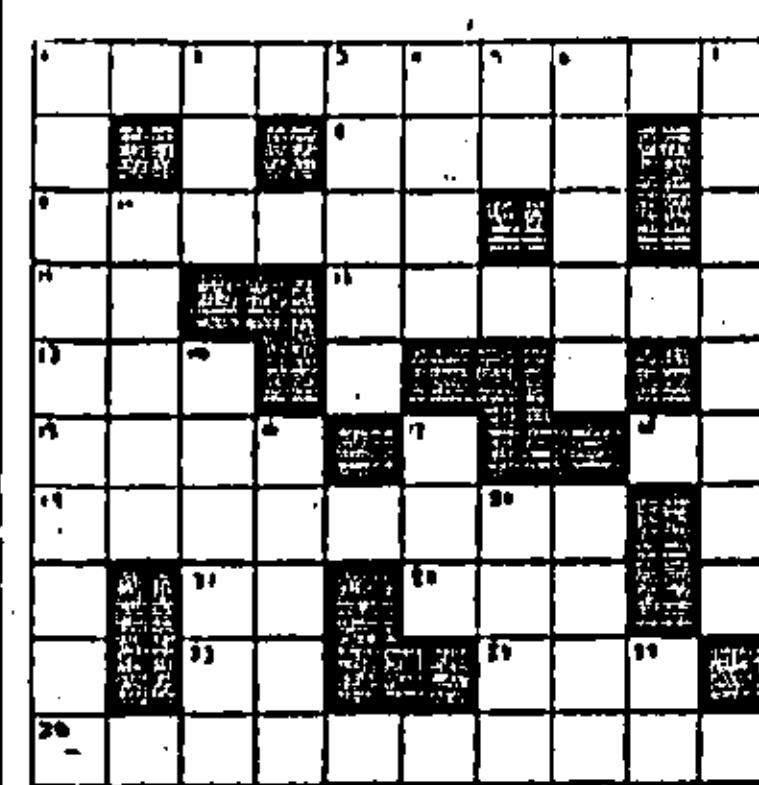
chime of midnight when Rene declared the party over. The kids were too tired to argue so they all helped to tidy up, said "Good night" and took their girl friends home.

Prize Winners

Winners of last week's prize crossword: Teresa Roza (\$8) 130 Boundary Street, 2nd floor Kowloon; and Denis Ablong (\$4) 15, Homantin Street, Kowloon. The prizes will be in the mail today.

Today's Puzzle

This week you are required to send in the clues and solutions to the crossword square below. Preference will be given to subtlety of the clues.



Personality

One of our young friends leaving for her home in Hampshire, England, is Norma Yoko who has a birthday on November 4.

Norma is going home on the Lancashire, and the ship sails on Saturday. She will be missing Hong Kong very much, she says, as she has made many friends during her stay here. She is very sad especially because she has to leave Mian, her cat, behind.

Norma hopes to return to the Colony some day and would like to visit South Africa on her way. In Hong Kong, Norma studied in King George V School. She wants to be a secretary and will



study for that after her schooling.

Her best games are netball, hockey and swimming. Norma reads very extensively, her favourite author being Enid Blyton, who writes schoolgirl adventure stories. Among her books are Robert L. Stevenson's "Treasure Island" and Louis M. Alcott's "Little Women". She goes to the movies as often as her mother thinks is good for her. Among her heroes and heroines of the films are Stewart Granger, Margaret Lockwood and Esther Williams.

Asked what she would like to do most as soon as she arrived home, Norma said "We shall be there just in time for the primroses. I would like very much to go out and collect them."

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Together is just the right song for Clark Gable's high-pitched tenor.

I do not share the adulation of the masses for the King Cole Trio but some of their records are good and Cream is one of their better efforts.

Talking Picture, a duet by Johnny Mercer and Martha Tilton could best be described as remembrance time for your parents.

Memory is a dreamy melody but Andy Russell almost fell asleep singing it.

Avon, an all-time favourite was written in collaboration with showman Billy Rose and the evergreen Al Jolson. Good piping by the Pied Pipers.

Peggy Lee sings Somebody Loves Me as if it were specially written for her by George Gershwin and De Sylva. An excellent disc.

Hal Derwin is a baritone who will go places if he continues to sing as he does on When Day Is Done.

April Showers is a typical song for Margaret Whiting—all in all a very fine album.

Latest Releases.

Dinah Shore: Always True To You In My Fashion; So In Love.

Andrew Sisters: More Beer! Let A Smile Be Your Umbrella.

Bing Crosby: Why Can't You Behave; So In Love.

What It Takes To Make A Good Leader

Speaking of you and your club, let's review the jobs of your club officers. You know it's very important that your club get the right start—and what better time than now to look over the top management!

Perhaps you have turned down an official position or a chairmanship because it would be "too much work." You have probably seen how Mary Jane has struggled to put her club on its feet, having to take on some of the committee jobs, checking the secretary's reports and even decorating the club room for the last party. Or you have observed Bill, the president of his club, trying to get the membership books up to date as well as working on new members, while the membership committee sits back and does nothing.

Well, a good leader never does all the work. That is the first lesson to be learned. When you are given a position of responsibility, if you are new at it, you are inclined to take on the load in one armful. For one thing, it's easier and quicker if you do it yourself, so you think.

For another, you want to put your own stamp on it. That's only natural, because if you have been chosen as an officer, you are full of new ideas for the job and you want to make a clean sweep.

It's easy to sit in the back row, or on the sidelines, at club meetings and criticize what goes on from a distance. And just the same, it's easier for a club president to ignore criticism, especially if it interferes with a lot of solo-flight plans. If your club president can take constructive criticism,

being a member—not an officer—of a club, you may sometimes become impatient with the time it takes to put things through. You frequently say, "Well, if I were doing it, I would—et cetera, et cetera." But would you? It is better to take action a little more slowly, so that all sides of an issue can be heard, than to rush through a plan simply because a few of you—including those office-bearers—it's the thing to do.

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The treasurer needs your co-operation as much as does the president.

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Frank Sinatra: Why Can't You Behave; No Orchids For My Lady.

Anne Shelton: While The Angelus Was Ringing; Kiss Me Goodnight.

Stan Kenton: Encores (Album) Abstraction; Captive Punishment. Choral for Piano, Brass and Bongo; He's Funny That Way, Peg O' My Heart and Sonambulum.

Don Day: Don't Gamble With Romance; I'm Beginning To Miss You.

Vaughn Monroe: Red Roses For A Blue Lady; Melancholy Minstrel.

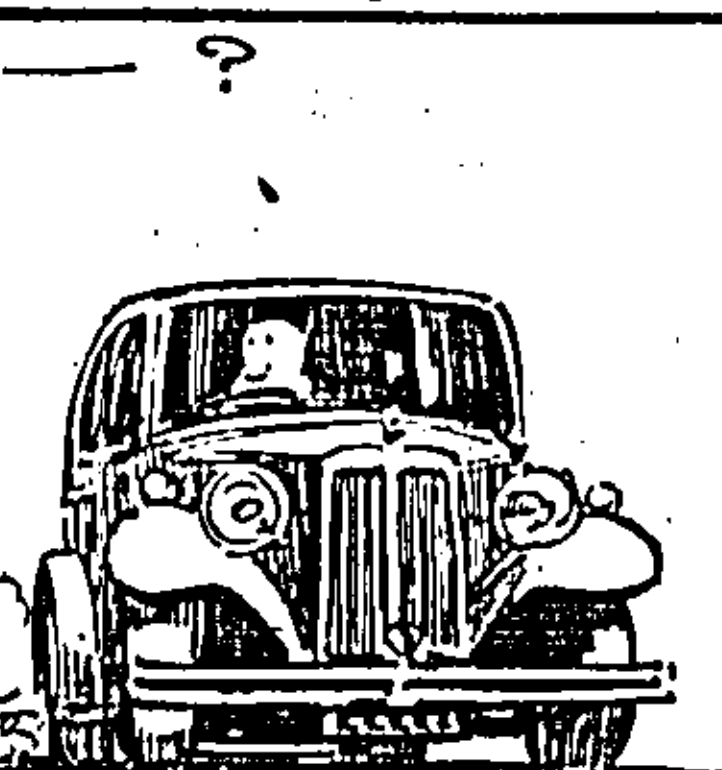
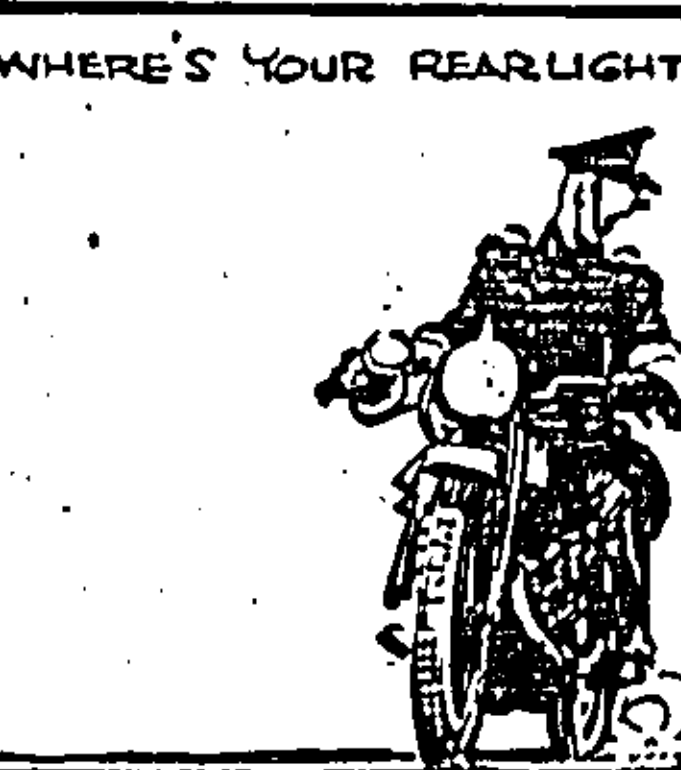
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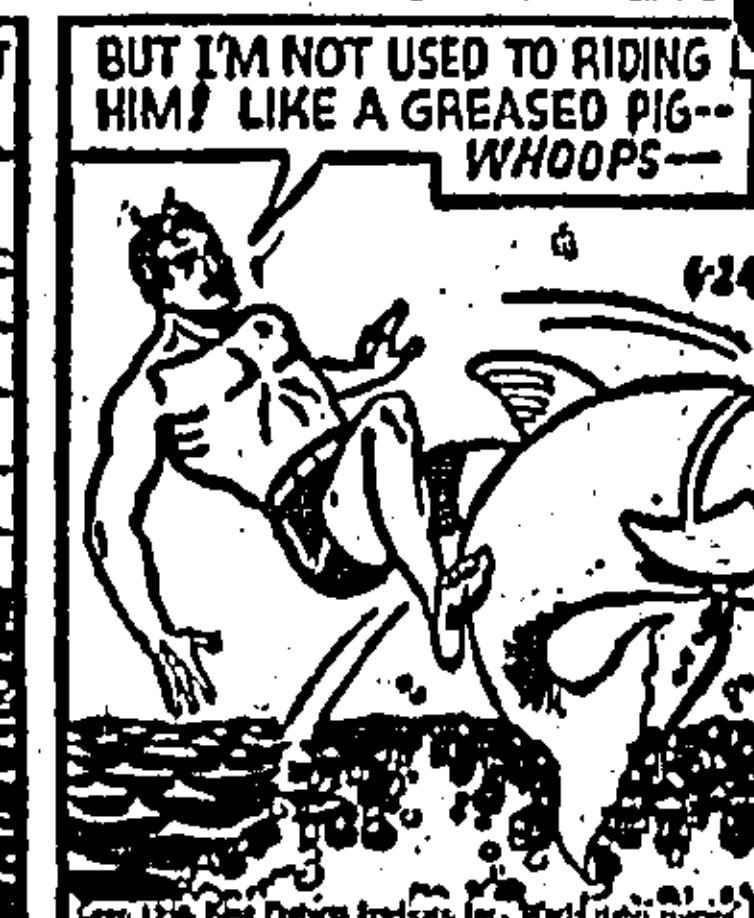
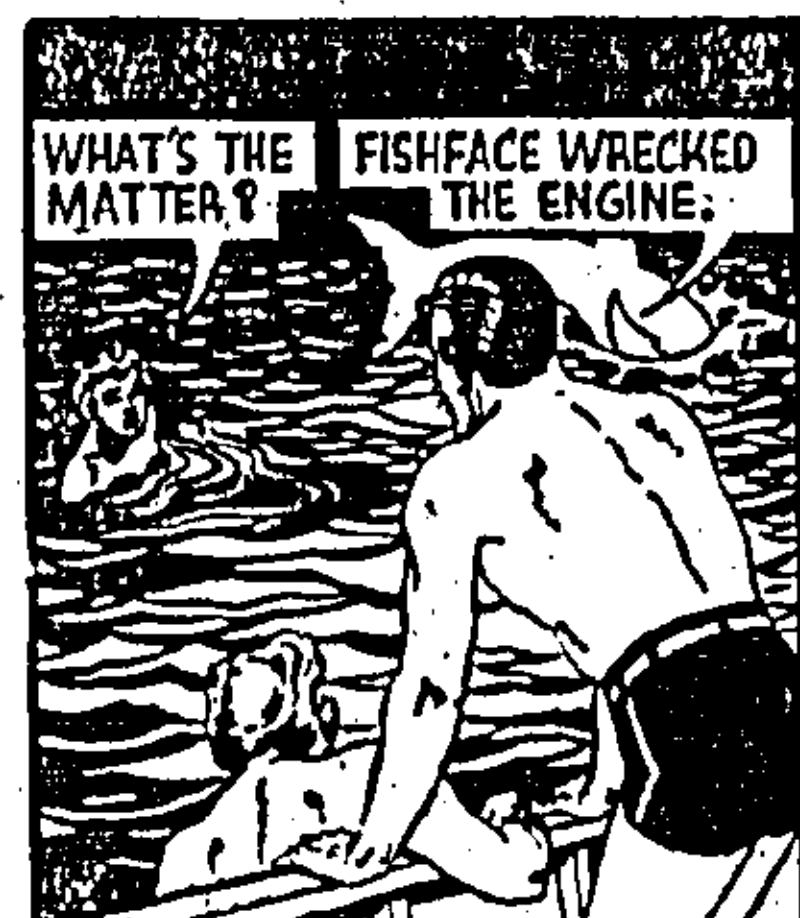
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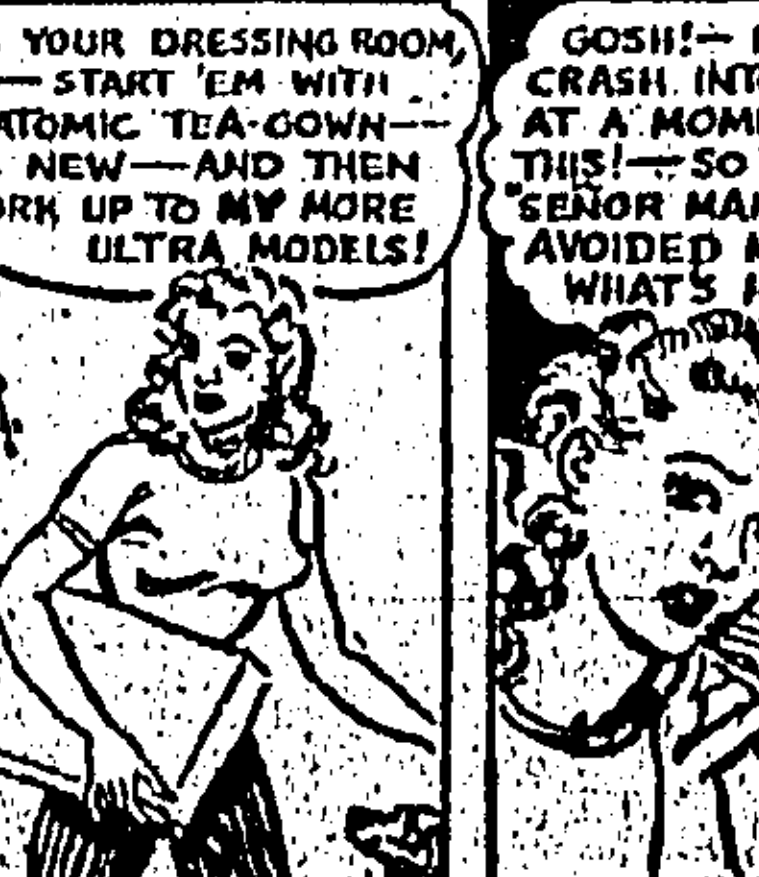


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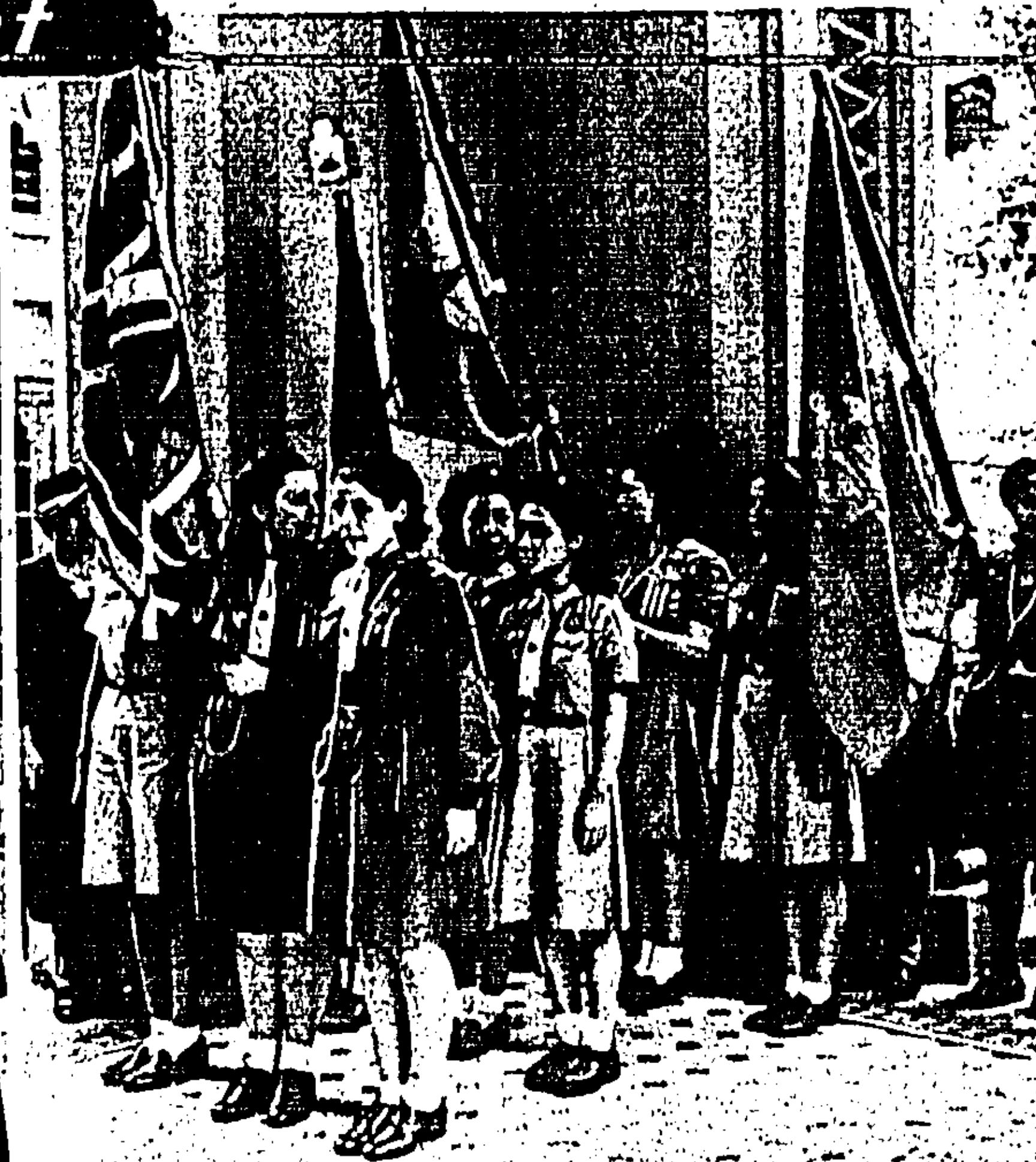
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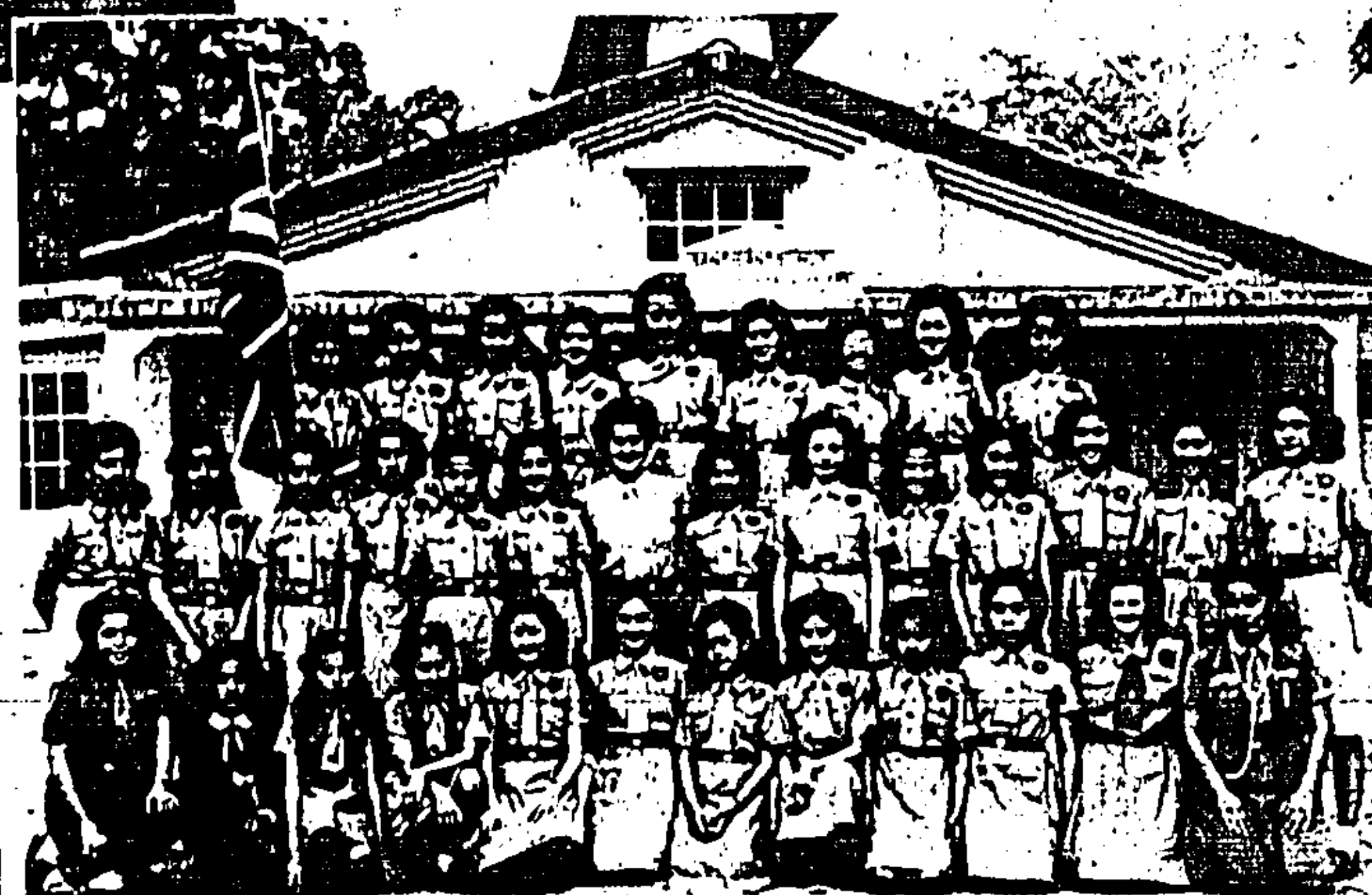
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CHINA MAIL Supplement



Brownies form up preparatory to entering St. John's Cathedral for the special Thinking Day service. ("China Mail" photo)

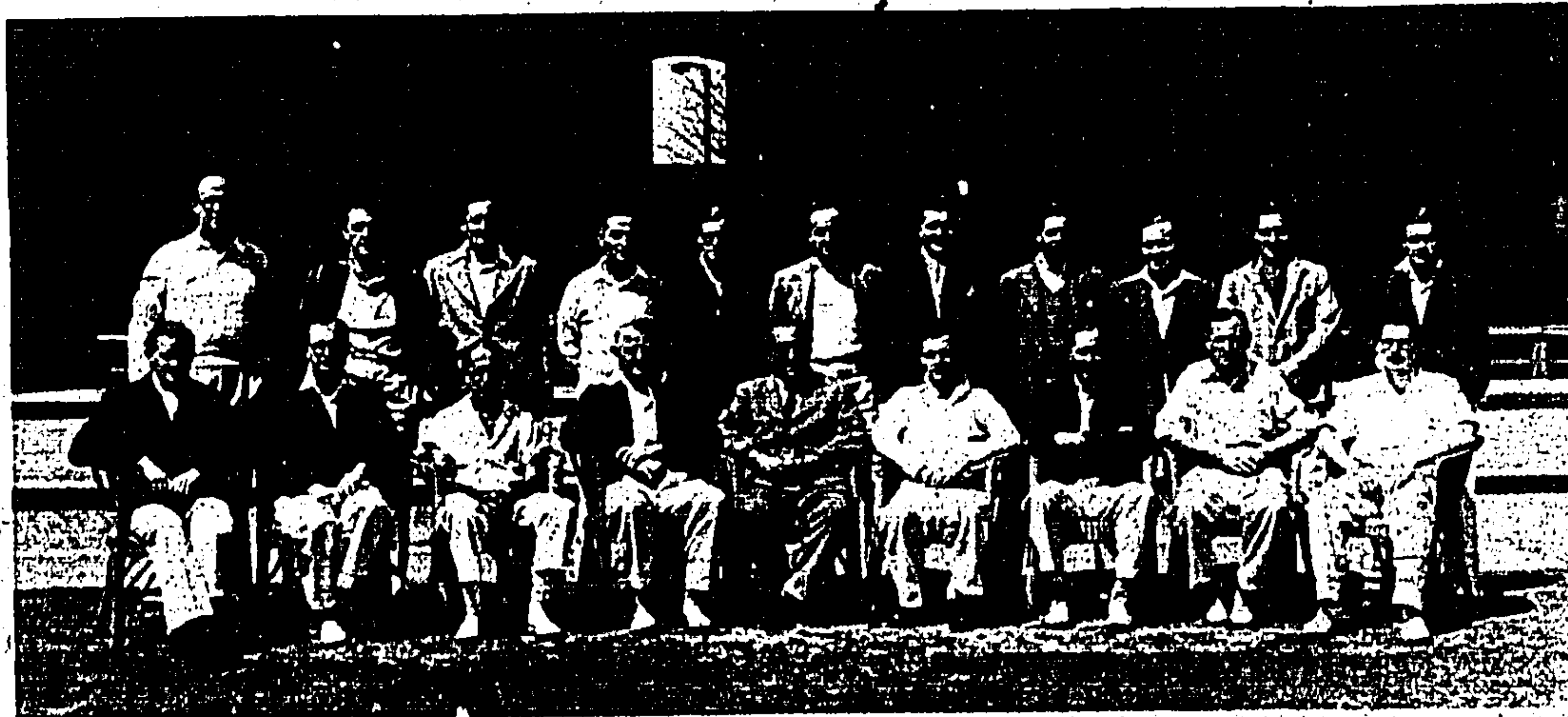
Girl Guides and Brownies entering St. John's Cathedral on February 23 to attend a special service on the occasion of Thinking Day. Services for Roman Catholic companies were held at St. Joseph's Church the same day. ("China Mail" photo)



The 6th Kowloon Company (Maryknoll Convent School) with its captain, Miss Beryl Goldenberg, photographed after attending the Thinking Day service at St. Joseph's Church. ("China Mail" photo)

Hong Kong's Girl Guides commemorated Thinking Day on February 23. The 6th Kowloon Company (St. Mary's School) was among the units which attended a special service at St. Joseph's Church. ("China Mail" photo)

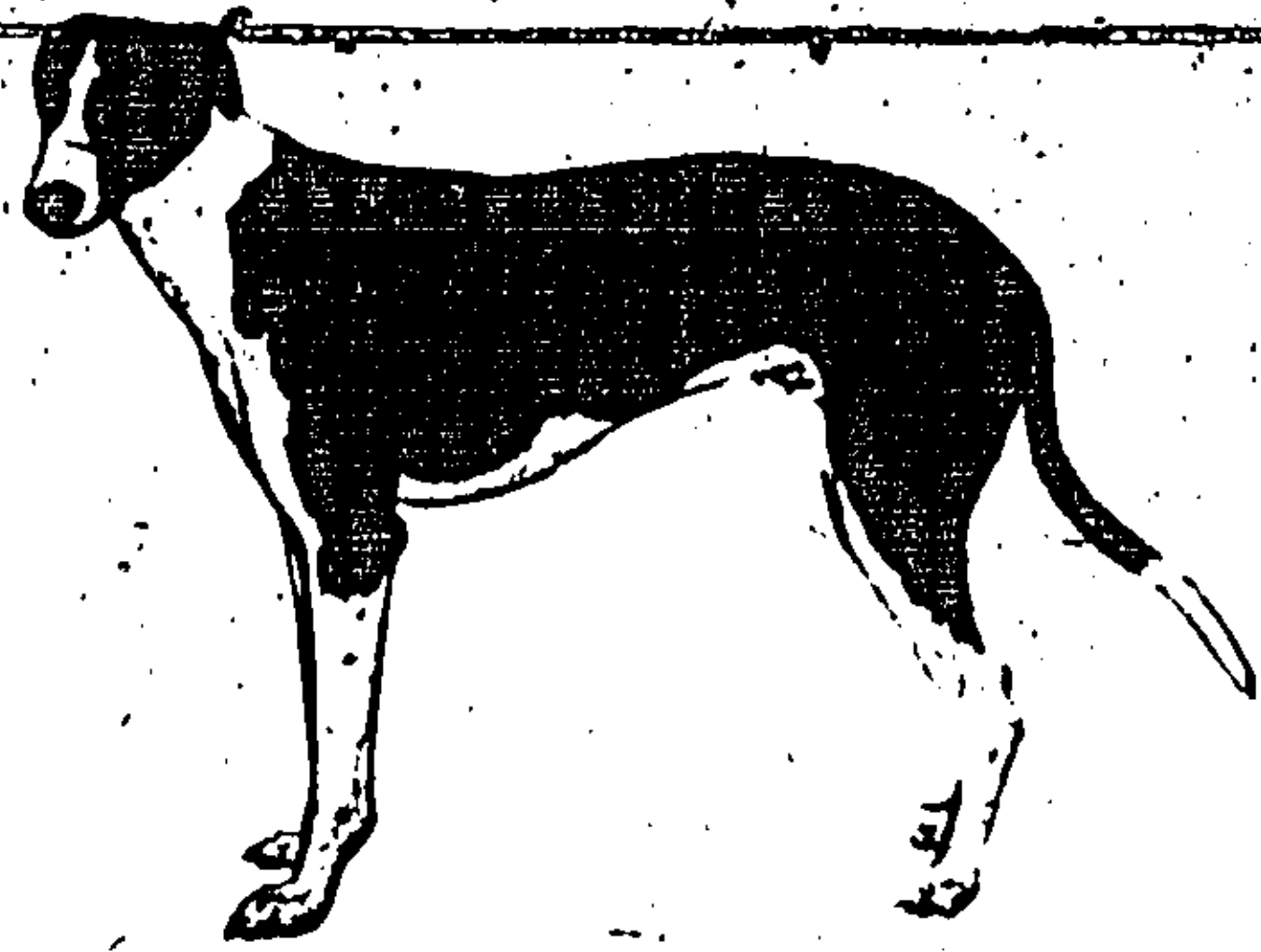
Oxford-Casuals beat Cambridge by 14 runs in an annual cricket match last week. Oxford, unable to field an all-Oxford team, were augmented by Casuals. (Ming Yuen Studio)



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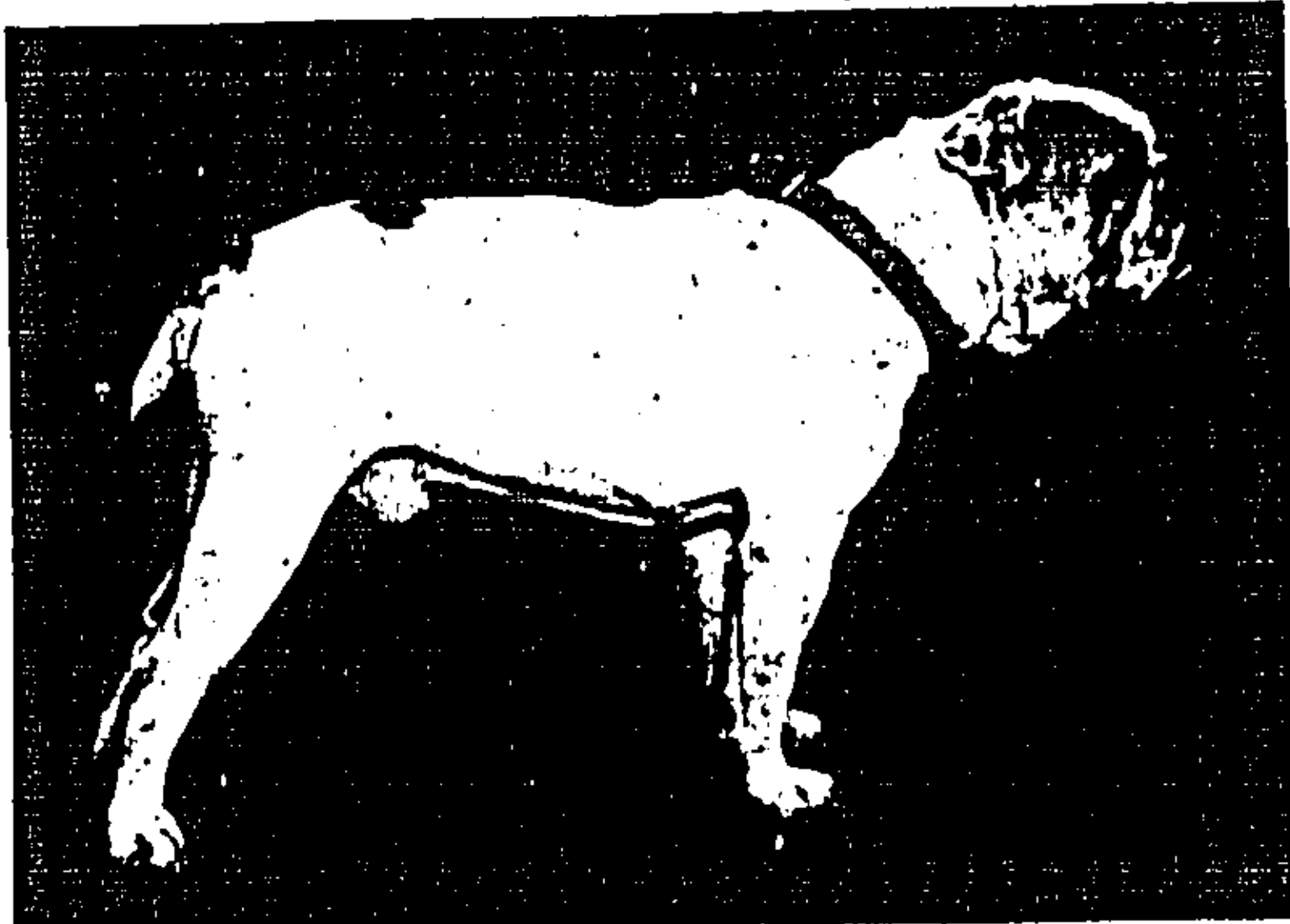
Mrs. H. G. Sheldon's "Fu Tan Sha" which was named the best Pekingese breed at the Annual Dog Show.



Third best dog of the Show was "Tatiebogle," a greyhound owned by Mrs. J. W. Anderson.



Mrs. B. C. Darge and Mr. W. H. Darge, Annual Dog Show. Mr. D. Keith P. Radio Hong Kong, broadcast the event.



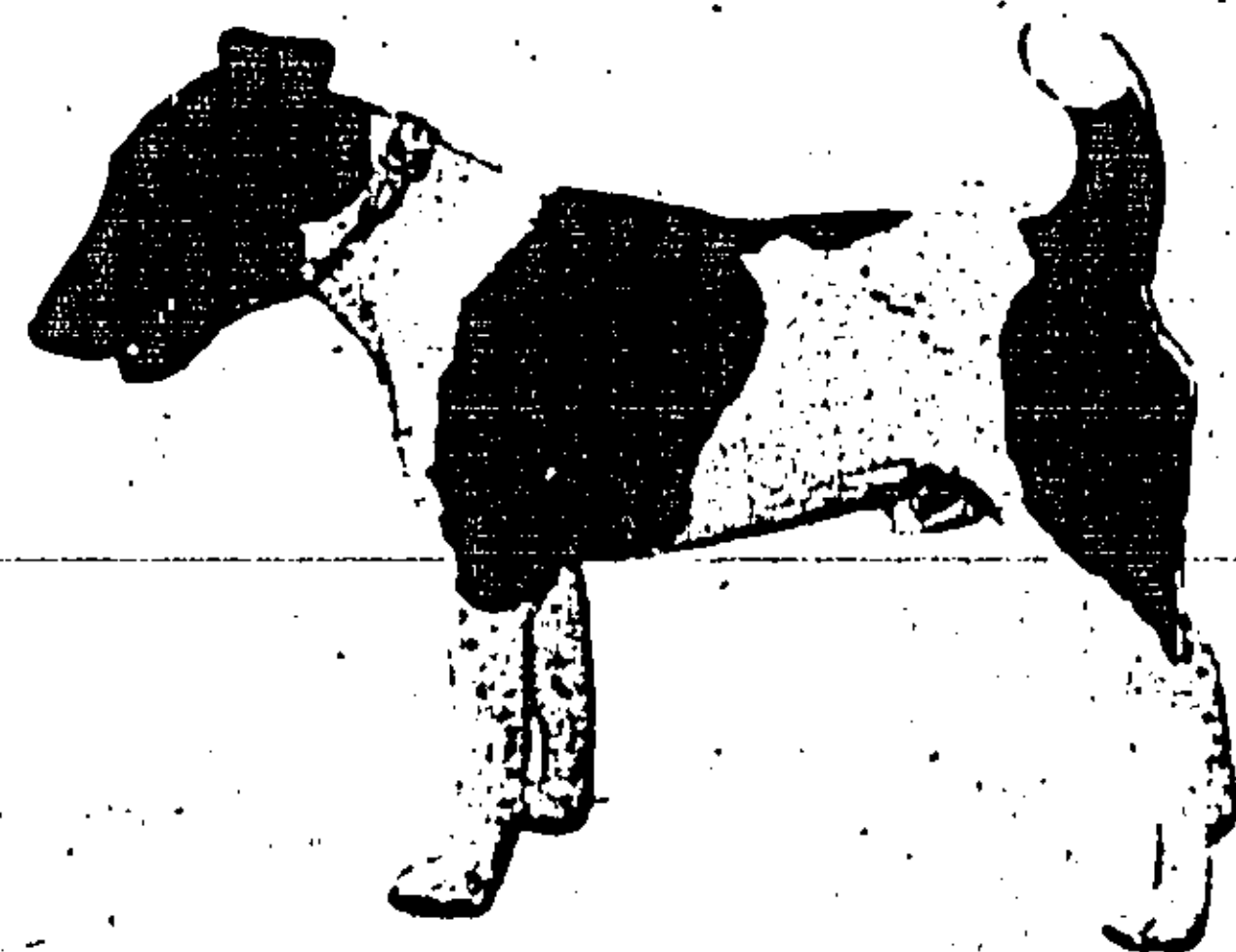
Mr. E. L. Davidson's "Major of Rothe" won Second Prize in the Bulldog section.



"Atlas Aristocrat" and "Atlas Regal," also participated in the Dog Show. owner is Mr. T. P. Wu.



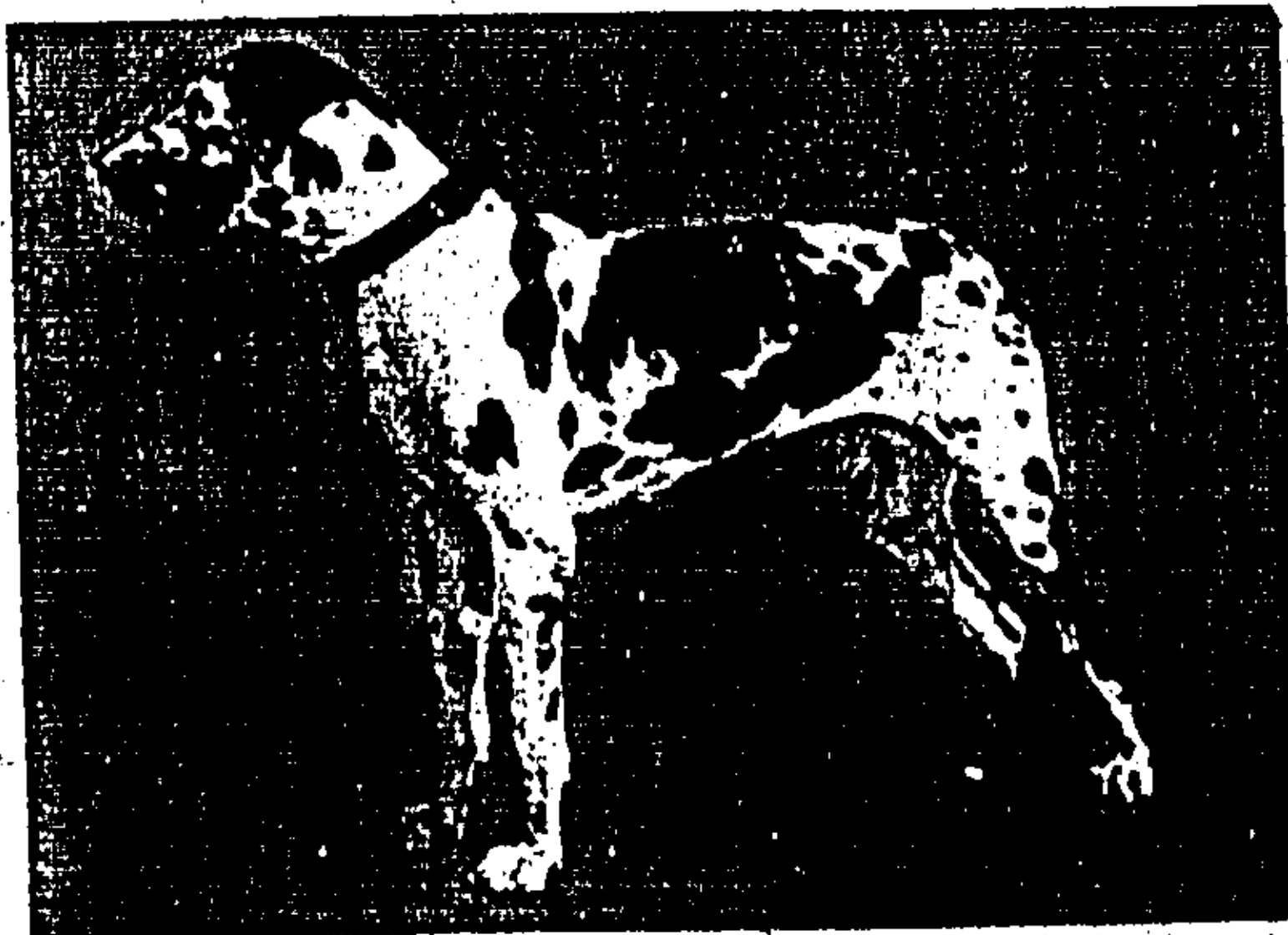
The Challenge. Certificate for the best Wire Fox Terrier bitch was awarded to "Arklow Avis," owned by Mr. W. J. Magill.



This was the best dog of the Show. A Fox Terrier (smooth), "Frisco Paddy," owned by Mr. T. M. Poon.



Second best China-bred Alsatian, "Duke of Nithsdale," owned by Mrs. W. T. Stanton.



Mr. S. W. Lee's Great Dane, "Roberta of Sudan."



Mr. G. H. Oliver's "Karl of Aalford," a Dachshund (smooth).

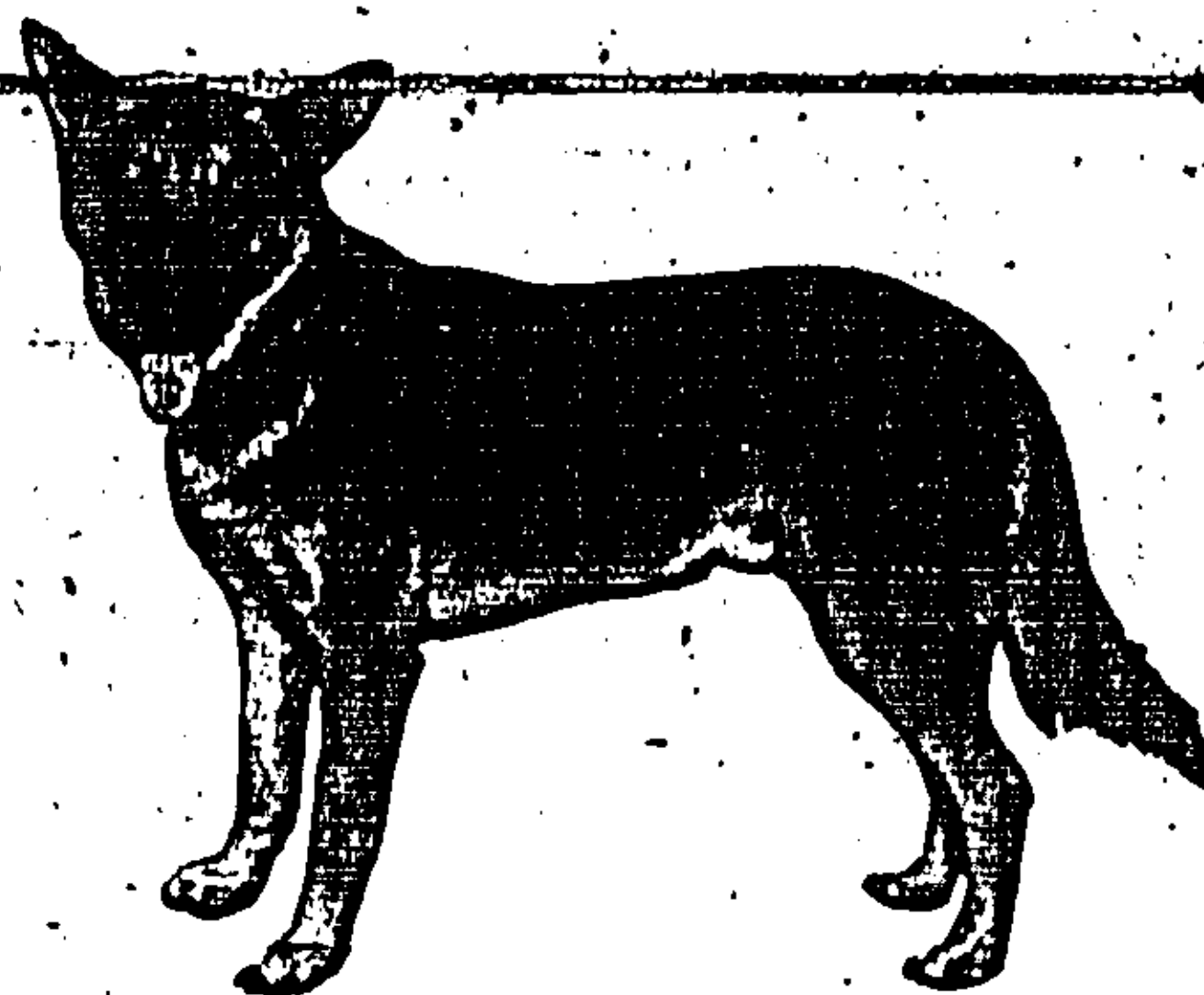


Second best Bull Terrier by Mr.

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Stanley Hunt were the judges at the gady (with arm band), Secretary of chibition over the local Radio Station.



"Prince of Nithsdale," owned by Mr. D. F. Landale, was judged as the best Alsatian dog in the Open and China-bred section.



"Mellands of Northcote" and "Stainburndorf Gareth," owned by Mr. W. H. Cowie.



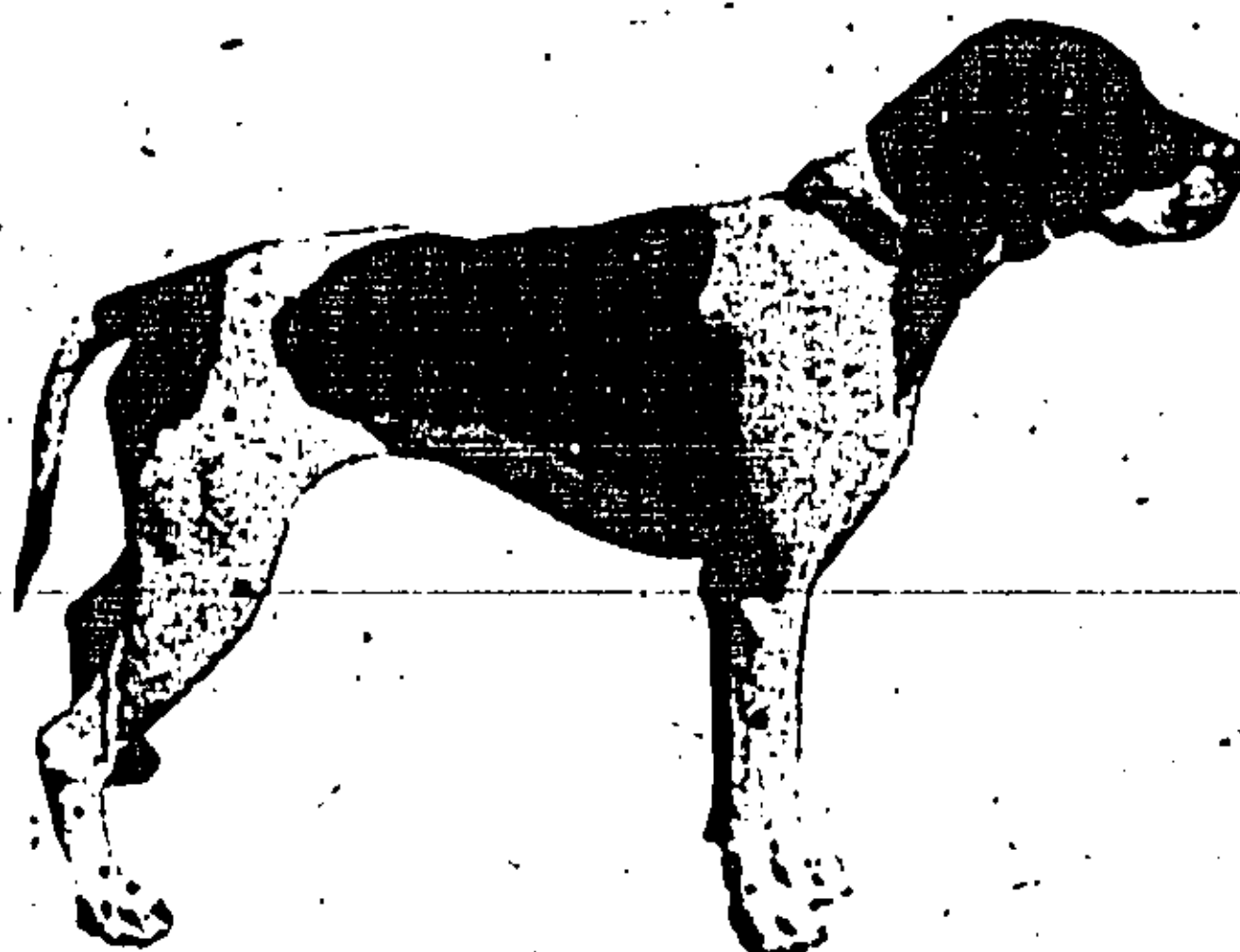
"Mirador Masque," a Cocker Spaniel, belonging to Mr. Wong Ol-chor.



This year Mrs. B. Johnston's "Lyneve Truant" was judged the best Wire Fox Terrier Dog.



Mrs. R. M. Shroff's "Mistral May" was the best Collie at the Show.



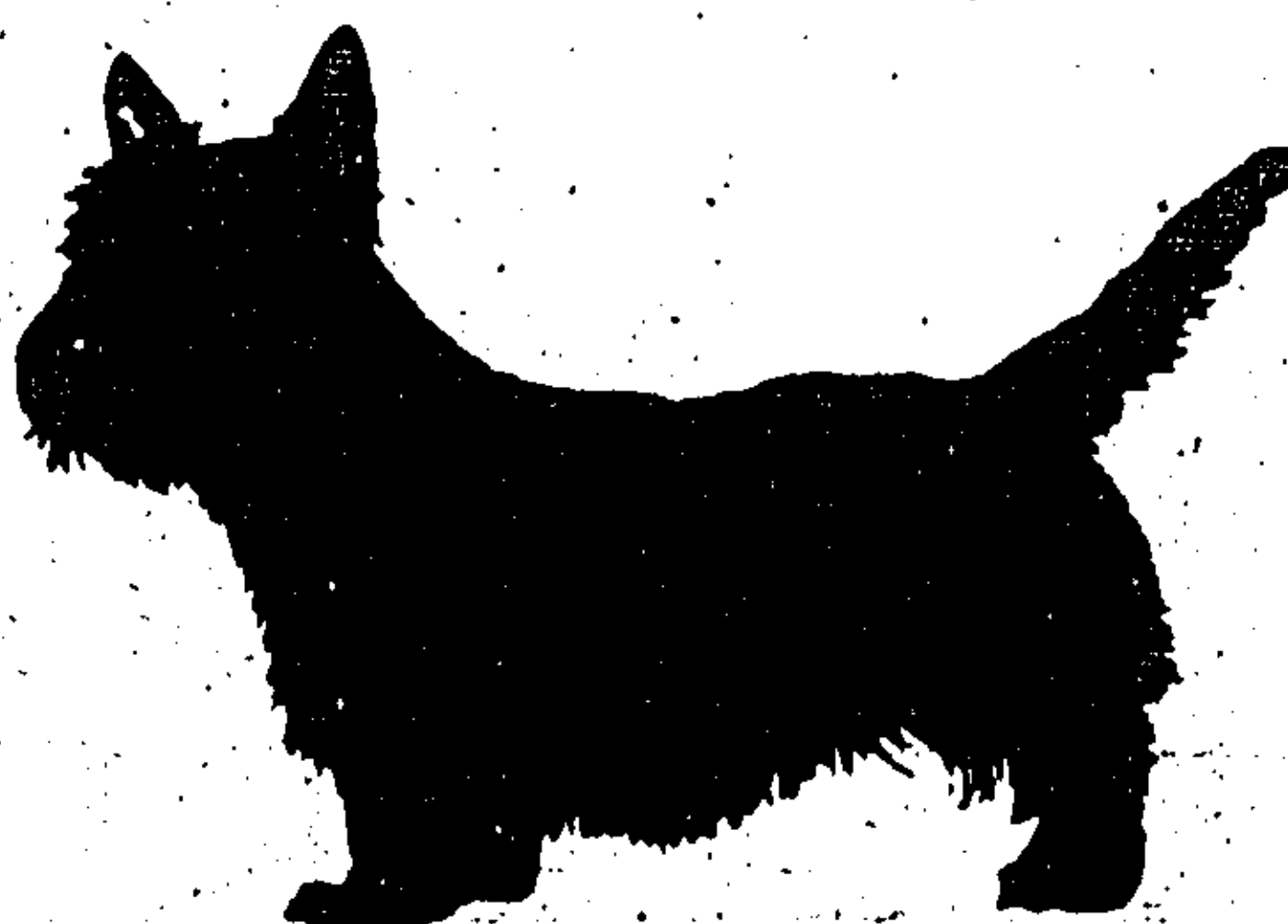
The best gundog, "Bruce of Sunnybank" owned by Mr. A. A. Lopes,



Best bitch of the Show was Mrs. H. M. Howell's "Wychwood Pucelette" (miniature poodle).



er, "Rex Artanon," owned A. J. R. Moss.



Mrs. Kilburn Morris' "Touris of the Tower," a Scottish Terrier, won a prize as the best of breed and a Challenge Certificate.



First prize in the General Dog Section went to Captain R. Tibble's "Smoky Sze Tse Gau," a chow.



A group of friends and relatives photographed following the christening of Richard John, baby son of Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Scragg, at St. Andrew's Church on February 20. (Mayfair Studio)

Carol Irene, child of Mr. and Mrs. C. Owen, was christened at St. John's Cathedral on February 18. (Ming Yuen Studio)

Miss Marion de Schipper, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. J. de Schipper, entertained her friends at a birthday party on February 21 at the Gloucester Hotel. (Ming Yuen Studio)



The Hong Kong Police Inter-Divisional Football Cup was won by the Marine Police Division. The Cup, awarded by Sir Man-kam Lo and Mr. T. N. Chau, was presented to the captain of the winning team at the Police Recreational Club, Boundary Street.



This is a reproduction of one of the exhibits of the late Mr. Chen Shu-jen, on display at St. John's Cathedral Hall during the week.

One of the exhibits which attracted considerable attention was this river scene.



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"TSINAN"	Swatow	4 p.m. 7th Mar.
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"POYANG"	Yokohama & Kobe	11th Mar.

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INDIAN BILATERAL TRADE AGREEMENT DRAWS CRITICISM

London, February 28.

India's bilateral trade agreements with non-sterling countries were strongly criticised in the Financial Times editorial today. Headed "India's Rights and Duties," the editorial reviewed the findings of the Joint Anglo-Indian Consultative Committee, including three important discoveries.

(1) India had not made greater use than had been expected of dollar conversion facilities; (2) India was using up her free sterling at a greater rate than had been anticipated; (3) essential materials normally supplied to Britain were being diverted to non-sterling countries under bilateral deals.

The editorial said one of the greatest concerns to Britain is a tendency on the part of the Indian Government to barter away, under bilateral deals with non-sterling countries, vital raw materials she is well aware are urgently needed in Britain and other parts of the sterling area.

"Such practices seem to be quite impossible to reconcile with one of the basic principles at present governing the conduct of sterling area countries—namely, that in framing import-export policies the participating countries should have regard to the dollar position of the sterling area as a whole," the editorial commented.

"They should, in particular, take all reasonable steps to satisfy the needs of other sterling area countries for essential goods."

"If India persists in her present attitude she may eventually find she is retarding her own recovery and endangering her place high on the list of applicants for exports of essentials from other sterling countries.—United Press.

Stalin Orders Prices Cut

London, February 28.

Moscow Radio tonight broadcast a decree signed by Marshal Stalin, reducing the retail price of bread, butter, flour and tobacco in Russia by 10 per cent from tomorrow.

The decree also reduced the prices on a large range of food, clothing and household goods. The Radio said the reductions marked "the second stage in the campaign for reducing retail commodity prices." Losses to the State in making these reductions "must be covered, and undoubtedly will be covered, by a number of economic measures, in spite of the serious difficulties that will have to be overcome," the Radio said.—Reuter.

IMPORT DUTIES IN PAKISTAN

Karachi, February 28.

The Pakistan Finance Minister, presenting his budget today, announced an excise duty on raw jute of 1 1/2 rupees a bale for cuttings and five for other thin cuttings effective next baling season.

The import duty on manufactured tobacco is increased to 16 rupees and four annas. Duties will be collected on non-essential Indian imports with preferential rates for cotton piecegoods costing over 1 1/2 rupees a yard.

Import duties for machinery is halved to five per cent and iron and copper scrap is remitted.

Export duty on sheep and goat skins are halved to ten per cent. Jute duty would be levied only on countries which "discriminate against us in respect of internal taxes."

The Minister made no reference to the reduction of import duty on foreign textiles and well-informed circles do not consider any change likely in the near future.—Reuter.

New York Stock Exchange

New York, February 28.

As pressures continued light, shortcovering and bargain hunting brought mostly fractional extension of Saturday's recovery. Attention was attracted by Washington reports that labour legislation in the form requested by President Truman will not be passed by Congress.

Prices continued around the norm levels in quiet trading, awaiting further business and Washington developments. Steels failed to derive any additional encouragement from ingot operations, scheduled this week at 100.5 per cent of capacity, the seventh consecutive of capacity or above capacity operations.

Renewed demand in the last half hour, particularly of leading chemicals, motors, oils, steels and specialties finished the session, with gains of fractions to one dollar or more and the market closed firm.—Reuter.

Indian Budget Deficit

New Delhi, February 28.

The Indian Finance Minister, Dr. Jinnah, disclosed a deficit of approximately £11,000,000 at the existing level of taxation, when he presented his budget for the new financial year of 1949/50 to Parliament today.

The main features of the budget were: At the existing level of taxation, revenue for the next year is estimated at £230,805,000, and expenditure at £241,807,000.

The current year's deficit is now placed at £1,102,000 against £1,605,000,000 as originally anticipated. Defence services are estimated to cost £110,572,000 this year and £118,027,000 next year.

Additionally, the capital outlay on defence will cost £7,432,000 this year and £11,250,000 next year.—Reuter.

U.S. TAXES SHOW DECLINE

New York, February 28.

Primarily reflecting the sharp decline in collections against personal and corporate income taxes, the United States Treasury collections in January dropped to \$3,880,000,000 as compared with \$4,205,000,000 in January, last year.—Reuter.

Notice To Consignees

S.S. "FLYING CLIFFER"

Damaged cargo ex this vessel will be surveyed in the Hong Kong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co. Ltd.'s godowns between 10 a.m. and noon on March 2, 1949, by Messrs. Anderson & Ash, and consignees are requested to have their representatives present during the survey.

A. P. PATTISON & COMPANY, General Agents.

Hong Kong, March 1, 1949.

London Stock Exchange

London, February 28.

The feature of today's dealings on the London Stock Exchange was the keen demand for Cable and Wireless shares. Following the award of £35,250,000 of compensation stock, the ordinary jumped 12 points to 240 and the preference three points to 139.

After considerable fluctuation, the price of these issues finally settled around 239 and 128 respectively.

General trading, however, was modest. Dull spots were found in building and public shares. Breweries were occasionally easier on some provincial selling and a few small losses were seen among iron, steels and tobaccos.

Oil shares were once again out of favour and drifted lower throughout the session, due to neglect.

Among Government securities, however, some support for the savings issues made for an occasional improvement of 1/16.

South African gold shares were quietly easier. Small offerings on an unwilling market made for dull conditions in diamond issues.—Reuter.

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We, The China Navigation Company, Limited, hereby give notice that in consequence of information received from our Head Office in London we have applied to the Minister of Transport, under Section 47 of the Merchant Shipping Act, 1894, in respect of the motor ship "SIN. TAIKOO HING" of HONG KONG REGISTRY, Official Number 172,776; Gross tonnage 32.51 tons. Register tonnage 2.50 tons, heretofore owned by The China Navigation Company, Limited, for permission to change her name to "TAIKOO HING" and to have her registered in the new name at the Port of HONG KONG as owned by The China Navigation Company, Limited.

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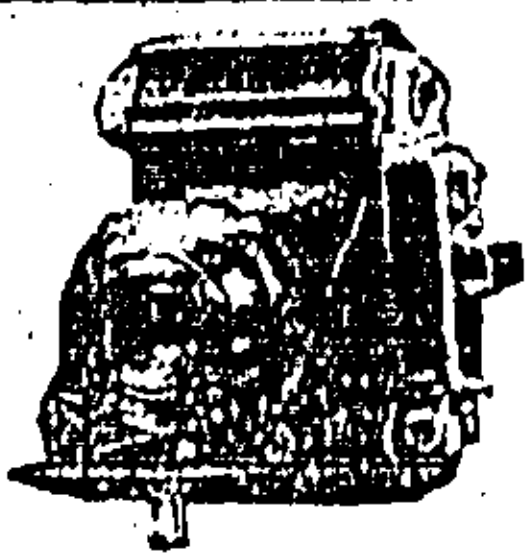
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BAKER BROTHERS WIN IN MINOR NET UPSET

Pugie Pop Level With Ecstasy

(By RUBBINGSTRAKE)
In the Dragon Race on Saturday, Ecstasy, under entirely new management, maintained a high performance which, however, was not quite high enough to prevent Capt. Krogh Moore's Pugie Pop from drawing level.

In the Jubilee Race Mr. Salathiel Roundly now has a six point lead over Mr. Reid's Harponey, her only dangerous competitor.

Sunday saw a welcome revival of star racing, but unfortunately the rain prevented a decision before abandoning time.

In the Dumbly Tern Races, Inland Revenue, hold the lead with an average score of 12.5 in seven races, followed by the 5th Cruiser Squadron with 11.7 in 9, the International with 11.3 in 7, and Royal Headquarters with 11.1 in 6.

On next Sunday, March 6, there will be a cruiser race round the Brothers starting at the Club at 10 a.m.

Entries should be sent as early as possible, but in any case before noon on Friday, either to the Secretary of the Club or to the Sailing Captain in HMS Belfast. Further details will be sent to owners entering.

Members are informed that the Naval boat service from Kowloon and Queen's Pier will be replaced as from next week-end by a well-lit launch which will fly the club burgee. There will be no charge.

Results this weekend:—
DRAGONS:
1st, Pugie Pop, Roach Moore, 157.58
2nd, Pegasus, Dobby, 158.21
3rd, Varesse, Dobby, 159.25

JUBILEE:
1st, Roundly, Cruiser, 14.01
2nd, Harponey, Reid, 14.16
3rd, Dumbly, Smith, 14.55

REDWING:
1st, Maltese, Smith, 13.25
2nd, Bramley Martin, 13.35

SCHOOL SPORTS

The annual athletic sports of Queen's College will be held at the Queen's College ground, Causeway Bay, on March 12 at 1.30 p.m.

Mr. T. R. Rowell, the wife of the Director of Education, will present the prizes and, at the same time, to re-open the recently rehabilitated Sports Pavilion at about 5 p.m. the same day.



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The second day's games of the Colony Tennis Open Doubles Championship produced a minor upset, when T. E. Baker and R. O. Baker defeated George Choa and L. C. Kote-wall after a thrilling three-set duel.

Most of the day was undoubtedly R. O. Baker, who time and again rescued his side at most critical moments.

With the advantage of better services, speedier approach to the net, and more forceful volleys, the Baker brothers ran through the first set with a score of 6-2.

The second set saw Choa and Kote-wall take the lead 3-1, but the Baker brothers caught them up to 3-3. At this stage Choa and Kote-wall began to carry the game into their opponents' territory, pressing them to the baseline, and eventually winning the next three games in a row to even the set score.

In the third set the Baker brothers jumped to a 4-1 lead, but started to fall back to the baseline.

Superior ground strokes by Choa and Kote-wall plus repeated errors by T. E. Baker enabled them to win the next four games. R. O. Baker, however, began to play a superb game at this juncture, sending over some excellent services and overhead smashes.

Kote-wall was by this time completely exhausted, and in spite of gallant efforts by Choa to cover for his partner, the set went to the worthy winners, 8-6.

Full scores:
Kwok Hing-chung and Roch Young beat J. L. Lee and Lee Ming, 6-1, 6-3.
Ng Hock-kin and P. Poon beat B. Gekano and G. M. Gusano, 6-1, 6-1.

T. E. Baker and R. O. Baker beat George Choa and L. C. Kote-wall, 6-2, 3-0, 8-6.
Tsai Ping-fan and Luk Ding-chung beat E. M. Haythornthwaite and N. W. Harris, 6-1, 6-1.
F. M. Ribeiro and T. E. Rodrigues beat G. Lin and S. T. Tan, 7-5, 6-4.

Lee Yue-wing and Wong Shiu-wing beat I. Agafuroff and Dr. H. Meyer, 6-0, 6-1.

Today's Games
Court 1: Daniel Chan & M. L. Chan vs. L. F. Stokes & R. Sealat.
Court 2: J. L. C. Pearce & D. Fitzroy Williams vs. G. H. Wigglesworth & D. Nolan.
Court 3: M. Heenan & M. W. Lo vs. P. A. Fisher & Capt. R. W. Macereth.

Court 4: Norman Lo & Donald L. Albert Chan & Lawrence Chan.
Court 5: Peter M. F. U. & C. Lai vs. Lee Boon-sing & T. T. Chen.
Court 6: Au Kam-moon & Lee Chiu-kit vs. J. S. Beirne & A. J. Doyle.

Court 7: W. L. Way, Dr. H. Umphreys, K. A. Cook, G. W. Sewell, Lee Wal-tong and Chow Sing-tao.

Natal Lose 5 Wickets For 34 Runs
Durban, February 28.
Douglas Wright, the Kent leg break bowler, took seven wickets for 54 runs, his best performance of the tour, for the MCC against Natal today in a match which ended in a draw.

Natal lost their last five wickets for 34 runs in half an hour after tea and were all out for 100. The MCC were left the almost impossible task of getting 147 runs in 65 minutes to win, but bad light ended play when they were six for no wicket.

Wright, who discarded his Kangaroo hop run-up, was more accurate with his length and direction than at any time on the tour. His match figures were 11 for 54.

Dudley Nourse, South Africa's test captain, was out for two "ducks" for the first time in first-class cricket, Wright getting him both times. A stubborn sixth wicket stand of 71 between the left hander, D. Dowling, and L. L. Pavn robbed the MCC of the chance of victory.—Reuter.

Close Up Of Princess
London, February 28.
Members of the Malayan badminton team, who played Denmark in the Thomas Cup finals, had their biggest thrill during their stay in Glasgow when they had a close-up view of Princess Margaret.

The Malayan players saw the Princess when she arrived at the Glasgow Central Hotel for a dance in aid of the Scottish Association of Girls' Clubs. The general opinion was that the Princess looked very lovely.

DODWELL'S XI
The following will represent Dodwell & Co., Ltd. against Jardines in a cricket match to be played at Chater Road on Sunday commencing at 1.15 p.m.:
E. R. Hill, (Captain), N. E. Arthy, T. G. T. Birley, P. Devinson, R. W. Franklin, J. H. Hamm, H. C. D. Knight, J. D. S. Mackay, A. P. Pereira, O. G. Simpson and N. Tindall.

K. A. G. Cook (12 man, G. S. Davey (Scorer), J. S. Howell (Umpire).

Skis Get Horse-Power



Galloping horses add a new thrill to a thrilling sport. Ski-racers in the German championships at Garmisch-Partenkirchen, take speed on a level course behind hooves pound-ing in the snow.—(AP Photo).

Joe Retires --Again

Miami Beach, March 1.
The world heavyweight champion, Joe Louis, announced his retirement from boxing today.

The announcement was made through the commissioner of the local boxing association.—United Press.

Hockey Fixtures

Sunday, March 6.
Khalsa v Club de Recoelo (Boundary Street Kowloon, 10.30 a.m.)
Umpires: Yeo Sigs Gater, S.B.P.O. Yeomans.

Army v RAF (Sookumpoo, 10 a.m.)
Umpires: G. T. Palmer.—Mak-han Singh.

Navy v HK Police (King's Park (RNRC1), 10.30 a.m.)
Umpires: Capt. Chisnell.—Capt. Payne.

University v Civil Service (Pok-futun Road, 10 a.m.)
Umpires: E. R. A. Miller.—J. S. Grewal.

Dockyard RC v Dutch HC (King's Park (RNRC2), 10 a.m.)
Umpires: P. F. Xavier.—Mr. Duce RN.

YMCA v Cable & Wireless (King's Park, (YMCA) 10 a.m.)
Umpires: J. H. Blinko.—W. A. Musky.

All umpires are requested to confirm by phone (30.51 Ex 117) before 5 p.m. on Friday. Secretaries are requested to ensure prompt attendance of their teams. A maximum of 10 minutes delay will be allowed. Will umpires please notify results as soon as possible after the match.

Club de Recoelo	P	W	L	F	A	Pts
Army	15	13	2	150	67	27
Navy	10	10	3	162	11	23
Khalsa	15	9	2	43	18	20
HK Police	15	9	2	53	24	20
RAF	17	8	1	83	35	17
Civil Service	15	7	1	73	34	16
University	17	6	1	10	38	13
Dutch	15	6	2	18	29	12
Cable & Wireless	15	4	1	11	20	8
Dockyard RC	15	2	13	15	66	4
YMCA	13	1	12	6	52	2

IRISH HOCKEY XI

The following are invited to represent an Irish XI to meet Dockyard RC in a friendly Hockey game at King's Park, at 5 p.m. on Friday, Clours White.

L.A.C.'s: Doyle, Gibson, Coady (RAF); Capt's: Larkin, Monaghan, McGrath and Sgt. Corr (Army); Lt. Cdr. Fanshawe, L/Wtr. Morrison (Navy); E. Kaine (Dockyard); and S/Snp. Wall (Police) Reserve. Sgt. Major Hunt (Army).

IRC 2ND XI

The following have been selected to represent the IRC 2nd XI in a league cricket match against Recoelo on Saturday, March 5, at 1.45 p.m. Sookumpoo.

A. H. Baker (Capt.), I. Ali, A. Ebrahim, A. M. Razack, A. K. Markar, A. M. Rumlajn, M. A. Wahab Sr., M. A. Wahab Jr., F. M. Al-Areilly, Y. Motwalla and S. K. Khan.

S. Abou (12 men) T.H. Barina (Scorer).

4 More Bulgarian Pastors Confess

Sofia, February 28.
The mass trial of Protestant clergymen speeded up today with a rush of brief guilty pleas along the new familiar pattern of tearful confessions and professions of remorse.

Four more pastors marched by the witness bar in rapid order, raising to eight the number who have pleaded guilty. Georgi Nikolov Chernev, head of the Pentecostal Church in Bulgaria, was the first of the defendants to be heard at the opening of the new week in the trial.

He confessed and blamed his co-defendants for getting him tangled up in anti-state activities. Chernev went into his confession at some length, then the tempo of the district court proceedings quickened. Other pastors followed him and rushed through their pleas.

By mid-afternoon the following had rushed almost uninterrupted through confessions: Leont Marinkov, 41-year-old Congregationalist from Plovdiv; Georgi Nikolov-Vesvev aged 48; A. Lom; Baptist; and Haralan Ivanov Popov.

Typical of the line taken by all defendants thus far were the words of the tall, slightly nervous Mishkov: "I want to say that I sincerely repent from the bottom of my heart. I am ashamed of myself to have believed rumours about the people's militia. From the time I was arrested no one in the prison ever exerted pressure upon me."

Like others, he testified to collecting information from 1945 to 1948 on Soviet military affairs in Bulgaria. He said this information went to the United States.

Popov begged, "Have mercy on me. Give me a new life and I will have a new outlook toward the people's authorities."

As one pastor after another droned through the same confessions in virtually the same words, the spectators in the court dozed unashamedly. Correspondents and lawyers left the court room for long periods. The judges were obviously as bored as everyone else.—United Press.

Close Rugby Encounter Expected

(By "Touch-Judge")
A close rugged game is expected at Sookumpoo at 4-15 this evening when Singapore United Services side meet United Services, Hong Kong.

There is little doubt that Singapore will show improved form on Monday's display now that they have played together and Hong Kong will have to be at their best to win.

There forwards are fairly evenly matched although Singapore will, I anticipate, be superior in the line-out and possibly in the light also in the loose. Hong Kong United Services should, if they play to form be far superior to the Southerners.

Singapore halves played grand football on Monday and on their form that evening should prove a more dangerous couple than the local halves.

Centres and wings are very evenly matched both from the point of view of attack and defence, and a hard even game is promised.

Ezzard Charles Wins Decision Over Maxim

Cincinnati, March 1.
Ezzard Charles finished strong last night to win a 15-round decision over Joey Maxim but did not show much to enhance his standing as a contender for Joe Louis' heavyweight crown. More than 14,000 saw the bruising battle which two judges called in Charles' favour and the third saw it even. The Associated Press score card showed eight rounds for Charles, five for Maxim and two even. Charles weighed 183 3/4 pounds, Maxim 184.

Maxim's jabs and hooks had Charles completely baffled during the middle part of the fight. He brought blood from Charles' nose and caught the Cincinnati Negro off balance most of the time.

Charles started fast and finished fast. He cut Maxim's left eye in the 13th and then hurt the Clevelander with a flock of rights and lefts to the jaw as they moved in close. Maxim rallied to stay even in the 14th but Ezzard was the aggressor in the final round.

When it was all over, Maxim said he had coasted through the last three rounds on instructions from his corner because he felt he was well ahead.

Charles felt the way of most ringsters. He described Maxim as a real clever boy but said he felt the Clevelander began to weaken in the last three rounds.

There were no knockdowns but both boys spilled a good portion of blood.

Both fighters were warned repeatedly by Referee Tony Ward-dott for hitting as they came out of the clinch and there was quite an uproar in Maxim's corner at the end of the sixth. Both fighters swung punches after the bell and Maxim's second, Johnny Papke, took vigorous exception to the warning to Maxim.

He and Warddott got into an argument in Maxim's corner, upsetting the stool as it was pushed into the ring.

Charles Warned

Charles was warned as early as the first round for hitting as a clinch was broken. The Cincinnati Negro was the aggressor through most of the fight, but a slight edge but Maxim held him even in the second.

Charles opened a slight cut under Maxim's eye in the third. And Ezzard wound up in the fourth, battering Maxim viciously with rights and lefts as they fought in close.

Then Maxim began to get up a full head of steam. He won the next two rounds easily by staying away from Charles and flicking his left jab into Ezzard's face with deadly accuracy and then following it with right hooks. He took the seventh in the same manner and cut Charles on the chin. It was during those rounds that Maxim battered Charles' nose so viciously.

Maxim also took the eighth, but his margin was getting slimmer. He was successful however, in keeping Charles off balance. Charles rallied again through the next three rounds but got the worst of it in a slugging match that was the 12th round.

In that round, Maxim gashed Charles at the corner of his right eye and again they were fighting after the bell.

Ezzard had one of his better rounds in the 13th. He slashed a cut over Maxim's right eye and had the Clevelander in trouble with a series of lefts and rights while they were close in against the ropes.

By that time, Charles was throwing punches from every angle in the hope of getting over a knockout punch.

After the evenly fought 14th Charles stalked Maxim around the ring continuously in the final heat.—Associated Press.

CRICKET CLUB DANCE BOOKING

Brisk booking for Saturday's dance at the Kowloon Cricket Club, organised by the Ladies' Committee, has been recorded. Members who have not yet reserved tables should do so without delay.

The Committee and other helpers are preparing some special decorative effects, with Spring as the keynote.

Mrs. L. Benjamin, who danced at the Chinese New Year Eve Ball, has promised to give floor show. The programme will include novelty dances.

The Embassy Sextet will provide the music. Dancing will begin at 8 p.m., and continue until 2 a.m. Refreshments will be served during the evening.

Three gold coins were found on a man when a routine search by revenue officers at the Kowloon-Canton Railway on Monday.

Before Mr. A.D. Scholes, aged 40, was charged with exporting gold without licence. He was cautioned and discharged, but the gold was ordered to be confiscated.

Music Teacher Recent Arrival From Peiping

Professor Chao Mei-pa, leading authority on music in China, has arrived in Hong Kong from North China. He was accompanied by his family. They escaped from Peiping during the Communist siege of the ancient capital.

Professor Chao has been responsible for raising the musical standard in China. He is the Superintendent of Music at National Institute of Fine Arts, Peiping; President of Peiping Musical Association; and President and Conductor of Peiping Choral Society.

Awarded with a First Prize of Laureat in the Vocal Department at the Brussels Royal Conservatory in 1932, he participated in many concerts in Europe as soloist and gave many recitals on both the Continent and in America.

Professor Chao took a deep interest in the work of Furell and Handel. In 1933 he visited the Royal College of Music and the Royal Academy of Music and Oxford University. He attended many concerts in Albert Hall and Queen's Hall.

In America he was for three years an artist and a teacher. In 1942 he declined the post of the Directorship of National Conservatory of Music under the Japanese puppet Government.

He escaped to Sianfu, Director of the North West Conservatory of Music.

When the war ended Professor Chao was assigned to North China to establish the Conservatory of Music. He founded the Music School of National Institute of Fine Arts, Peiping. He had a strong European and American family and his evacuation was made with a group of scholars such as Dr. Hu Shih, president of Peking University and Dr. Mei Yochi, president of Tsing Hua University.

Professor Chao will make his home in Hong Kong. His wife was born in Hong Kong.

Badminton Results

Seven more fixtures of the Colony Badminton Championships were played last night at the Recoelo court.

The scores are:
Junior Men's Singles
K.P. Chong beat L. Pomeroy, 15-4, 15-1.

Junior Men's Doubles
P. Wong and S.C. Chan beat P. Brockbank and E. Ridsdale, 15-6, 15-10.

I.F. Tai and W.N. Cheung beat S. Gall and F/Sgt. MacLeod, 15-4, 15-10.

C. Quinn and A.J. Remedios beat R. Thompson and S. Fowler, 15-2, 15-3.

Senior Men's Singles
Robert Tay beat Charles Au, 15-7, 15-10.

Senior Mixed Doubles
P.H. Wong and Miss H.P. Lam beat Bill Funk and Mrs. L.F. Stokes, 15-8, 15-9.

Senior Men's Doubles
W. Gillies and S. Saul beat P.K. Hooi and C.K. Lee, 15-7, 15-10.

There will be no games tonight. Further fixtures will be played on Friday at the VRC court.

TONIGHT'S LEAGUE GAMES
Men's Doubles "B" Division
VRC "A" v St. Teresa's "A"
University v Kowloon Dock
St. Teresa's "B" v VRC "B"
RAF v Recoelo
Chung Wah v St. John's "B"

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